# Deep Run Valley Sports Association

#### Baseball

**Intramural Season** The 2014 Intramural Baseball season was a HUGE SUCCESS. We had many firsts as a program this year. Our very first joint Opening Day ceremonies with Softball, we continued our partnership with Bucks County Baseball Academy and offered free and very affordable training sessions throughout February and March, we also had our inaugural AAA division playoff format. The DR Baseball Board continues to work collaboratively and bring new and fresh ideas to making this program the BEST around! These board members are all volunteers and put in endless hours into the program and they deserve a huge thank you!

Dan Shollenberger -TBall & Minor-B Director Joe Gunn - Minor-A Director

Greg Mastrogiovanni – AAA Director & Umpire Coordinator

# **Boys Lacrosse**

Lacrosse



Nick Rosica - Majors 60 Director & Safety Officer

Jack Flynn – Majors 70 Director & Travel Director

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Special Thanks to Shawn Hartv (Baseball/Softball Director), Jack (Travel Baseball Commissioner) and Tim Healv (Baseball Commissioner) for assembling this All Star team and coordinating all these efforts in making Deep Run Baseball the best youth baseball program around! Some Divisional Highlights:

AAA Division - The 2014 AAA season was a fun and successful one at All games Deep Run. were officiated by members of our youth umpiring program which allows some of our 12 to 14 year old boys to gain valuable

opportunity by level. We are part of the South Eastern Pennsyl- WWW.DRVSA.ORG. vania Youth Lacrosse Association (SEPYLA).

experience umpiring games at this less competitive level preparing them for Majors division games and tournament games when they are older. The youth umpires do a tremendous job many thanks to Shawn Harty for running the umpire training clinics again in 2014. This year the AAA division also held a post season tournament to determine a champion. Congratulations to the Hawkeye's Country Tavern Aberdeen Ironbirds - Quinn Annan, Jackson Arroyo, Matthew Atchley, Rickey Bevilac-Caeden Conklin, qua, Brock Denlinger, James Egner, Patrick Fannon, Tyler Fuchs, Joev Schirmer, Luke Wahlers, Manager Donovan Baseball Denlinger and coaches Donald Covelens, Scott Atchley and Scott Annan! It was a great season - thanks to all AAA



The mission of Deep For more information Run Lacrosse is to pro-regarding the boys lavide young boys the crosse program. Check skill website at:

**Deep Run Valley Sports Association** 

#### A Special Thank You

Deep Run continues to grow and be a wonderful community organization because of you!

- To the Sponsor's of all of our programs
- To the many volunteers, including the Board Members, Program Directors, Coaches, and par-
- · To the children

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players, parents, coaches and volunteers! Special Thanks to Greg Mastrogiovanni, AAA Division Director and Umpire Coordinator, without his leadership and dedication it would have been impossible to have such a successful program.

#### Majors 70 Division -

Deep Run's 11 & 12 year old boys completed another great year of 50/70 baseball. In a highly competitive league made up of Diamondbacks (coached by Jeff Kerrigan), Cubs (coached by Bob Brashear), Pirates (coached by Tim Long), and Padres (coached by Brent Smith). The season concluded with hard fought playoffs and a thrilling championship game between Long's Pirates and Smith's Padres. After the Pirates jumped out to a big 7 run lead, the Padres, sponsored by Wehrung's Lumber & Home Center, fought back, and won the championship in walk-off fashion!

Majors 50/70 Champion Pa-

Present but not in Photo -Kvle Moran Bottom (L-R) Jared Smith, Kaleb Rush, Cameron Daly, Trent Campbell, Patrick Pottichen, Timmy Mastrogiovanni, Andrew Cope

Standing (L-R) Raymond Knight, Joe Muntz, Ethan Lewis, Derek Morgan

some exciting and com-timely hitting and held on petitive games. Special thanks to all the coaches and most importantly the managers: Joe (White Sox), Mark Cam- ans pione (Angels), Dave Gant (Royals) and Fred DeHaven (Indians). The season

with solid pitching to win the

Gunn Majors 46/60 Champion Indi-

Bottom (L-R) Christian Beck, Dawson Bennett, Marcus Pringle, Nick Rosica



back and forth champion- lan Smith ship game between the Standing (L-R) Ty Maloney,

ended with a nail biting, Kneeling (L-R) Ty Wurst, Dy-

Ryan DeHaven, Jake Taylor, Adam Cameron, Jake Karte

### Fall Baseball

Deep Run will be offering Fall Baseball once again this year for ages 7-12 (information and age chart below). Registration is available online and will be ending mid-August.

Age Groups (age based on 2014 Season)

A. 11-12 year olds - 50/70 format

B. 9-10 year olds - 46/60 format

C. 7-8 year olds – instructional league w/pitching machine

who took the lead late in what the player's age is on April



#### Majors 60 Division -

This year's 46/60 season was a great success. Each and every boy improved throughout the year which lead to

Indians and White Sox. Congrats to the Indians, sponsored **Bucks** by County Baseball Academy, NOTE: age is determined by some 30, 2015 the game with

### Baseball—Continued

(SEE CHART BELOW)

# TRAVEL BASEBALL **8U Thunderhawks**

GROUP	BIRTHDATE RANGE
A	5/1/02 to
В	5/1/04 to
С	5/01/06 to

Second row left to right, Association to go 3-0 in the dence. Matt Seiler, Matt Atchlev, Moyer and Grayson Weikel. Missing from photo, Patrick Fannon and Caden Fisher. Coaches left to right, Scott ern Lehigh in the champion-Annan, Scott Atchley, Bob Pavlek and Greg Weikel.

#### 9U Thunderhawks - Blue

The Team began their season with some Spring scrimmage



The newest members of Deep Run's Travel Baseball family, the 8U team, had an incredible travel season. They participated in 3 tournaments and went 4 - 1 in each. Taking 1st place at North Penn, 3rd place at Harleysville and 2nd place in Deep Run's Field of Dreams tournament.

Front row left to right, Robert Pavlek, Quinn An-

games by going 4-1 against other local travel teams.

Their first summer tournament was in Boyertown over Father's Day weekend. Unfortunately, the Team went 1 -2 and did not advance to the medal round.

Next up was the Quakertown Quest for the Best tournament on June 25-29. Our 9U Thunderhawks defeated

bovs Run Pennridae in 7-5 thriller. Next up was South- Team members pictured beship game and our boys were victorious again, this time winning by a margin of 8-3. In summary, the Team Tarsi, Bryce Binder went 5-0 for the week, defeating our opponents by a total of over 20 runs combined.

The next event was our Top Row Coaches - Steve own Field of Dreams (FOD) McCloskey Mark Campione, tournament July 9-13 where Steve Sabol and Al Perlini we hoped to defend the championship that we won vear in our last 8U FOD. There were several top area teams in our tournament this year and our

nan, Colin Manville, Peter Northampton, NorGwyn and lost to eventual tourna-Derro, and Nate Lockner Daniel Boone Youth Sports ment champion Upper Provi-In the consolation preliminary rounds. In the game, the Deep Run boys Dylan Horton, Johnathan medal rounds our Deep then bounced back to defeat defeated a tough Warwick team

low are:

Bottom row - Tyler Parry, Tyler Sabol, Gavin Dimmick (batboy), Conor Flynn, Alex Middle Row - CJ Dimmick, Ashton McCloskey, Matt Campione, Alex Carlson, Gannon Perlini, Alex Derk (who had defeated us in pool play) to take 3rd Place. All in all it was a great tournament. Thanks again to all the parents and significant others



boys fought hard with a 2-1 who worked so hard to make record to advance to the Sunday medal rounds and another showdown with The 9U team's final tournaarch rival Pennridge. The Thunderhawks prevailed with another close win over Pennridge, this time by a

this another successful FOD.

ment was July 17-20 at Pennridge. The Thunderhawks cruised through pool play winning all 3 games by a score of 5-4. We then went combined total of 34-1. Our on to the semi-final game dominance continued into the

Lower Gwynedd where we advanced to the title game with a 10-0 win. This set us up for the championship game and yet another showdown with Pennridge. The finale was a classic! Pennridge started out with 2 runs in the first inning and Deep Run countered with 4 to take the lead. Pennridge would had 3 more runs in the second 5 - 2 taking а Pennridge stretched lead. the lead to 7-2 before our boys cut it back to a one run game. Then, trailing by 1 in the bottom the bottom of the last inning, Tyler Sabol led off with a solo home run to tie the game and send it into extra innings. Pennridge would score 1 in the top of the 7th to take the lead once again. However, the Thunderhawks continued to battle back and won with a walk-off bases loaded 2 RBI single by Matt Campione to win the game! What an exciting way to finish a great summer season!

#### 9U Thunderhawks - White

Put me in Coach was the theme of this year's Deep Thunderhawks 9U Run White team. We had a fun season participating in the Quakertown, the North Penn and the Harleysville tournaments. Everyone practiced real hard, learned 10U Thunderhawks-Blue multiple positions, and learned the number one rule: Don't throw the ball around!

Leading the way for the Thunderhawks this summer

Ethan Maltby and Brock son.



Denlinger. Jaden Morgan had several strong plays at short stop. Patrick Duffy had key plays at both second base and in centerfield while Sean Hansell was a strong player at first base. Tony Bovenzi also had big plays at second base. Robbie Zimmerman helped out in a variety of positions. who could forgot the huge catch in right field by Federico D'Aguino.

As this was our first season playing together as a team, the boys were dedicated, competed hard, and did a great job supporting each other. Thank you to Coach as well as all the parents and we look forward to the 2015 travel season.

Coach Finley

The Deep Run 10u Thunderhawks came back strong after a slow start in our first year of Suburban League Baseball. Although we had was a talented group of a couple of key injuries Dreams Tournament and

Sunday medal round semi- young pitchers including, early, the boys continued to went 1-2 in pool play but did pitchers along were catchers Summer Tournament Sea- knew that the

final match up against Aiden Carey, Colin Finley, battle throughout the spring not qualify for the champion-Joey Schirmer and Gavin season and improved tre- ship rounds. Even though Sprangers. Helping those mendously going into the they did not advance, you

> Back row (standing): Coach Nick, Chris Haberle, Coach Joe, Coach Dave, Ryan Dehaven, Christian Beck, Coach Rich 2nd row (kneeling): Joey Gant, Marcus Pringle, Ashton McCloskey, Owen Gunn, Justin Nichols Front row: Danny Cavallo, AJ Neher, Nicholas Rosica boys were playing well and it was only a matter of time before they started playing on Sunday! It was still a great



Morgan and Coach Maltby In May we held our annual week and many thanks to all 10u level. The 2<sup>nd</sup> 10u team Tournament. is headed up by Al Mandia who along with his staff At our next Tournament at tournament play.

> In June the boys played well in our own Field of

Summer tryout and we had of the parent volunteers and over 22 boys try out and we coaches who helped make it now have two teams at the a successful Field of Dreams

continue to work with the Pennridge the boys exploded boys and get them ready for with 6 Home Runs and 46 runs scored in the first 4 games. After an exciting walk off single in the semifinal game against Nor-Gwyn we lost to a very tough North

Penn Raiders team in the final. It was a great week and 2<sup>nd</sup> place was a great accomplishment in a 14 team field.

After a very successful Little League District run, the boys were a little tired, but continued to improve and placed 4th in a very competitive Quakertown Tournament. Overall it baseball facility. The team was a good season and we will look forward to winter training and 50/70 baseball next year.

#### 11U Thunderhawks - Blue

The 2014 Deep Run Thunderhawks 11U Blue Team began their season in the winter months working out at Bucks County Baseball Academy developing the fundamental skills required to compete in the very demanding Suburban Travel Baseball League. A quick 2-0 start, followed by a couple tough losses, left the Thunderhawks in need of some victories to get back into playoff contention. The team rallied and rattled off seven consecutive wins over some tough competition (Newtown, Valley, Tri-Township just to name a few) to secure a home playoff game and a 9-5 regular season record. A win over Montgomery in the opening of the playoffs round (avenging an earlier season defeat) lead to a road playoff game against eventual 11 Yr Old A-Division Champion Tri-Township. The Thunderhawks fell in a close 4-1 battle but gave their all and should be proud of their 2014 spring season accomplishments. The summer tournament season kicked off with a Father's Day trip to Aberdeen Maryland to play at the Ripken



won their first four games, some in comeback-walk-off fashion before falling to a tough academy team from upstate New York to finish an impressive third in a field of 36 teams. The team would win another third place trophy at the Upper Perk Tourney in June. After starting 3-0 with some exciting comeback wins against Audobon and Boyertown, the team lost to eventual tourney champ Harleysville 4-3 in the semifinal. The summer season continued with exciting trips to the Harleysville Stars and Stripes tourney, the Diamond Nation World Series in Flemington NJ and culminated with the annual hosting of our Field of Dreams Tournament. The host Thunderhawks went 5-0 to win their second consecutive Field of Dreams Tournament finishing the season strona. The coaches are both proud and honored to have had the opportunity to work with this talented group of young men and look forward to our final 12u season together at Deep Run in 2015. It's been a wonderful ride!

Thunderhawks from left to right: Timmy Mastrogiovanni, Matt Thompson, Ryan Healy, Mike Eissler, Colin Monahan, Trent

Fisher, Alex Podraza, Clarke Baker, Christian Rush, Abel Saft, Anthony Buccafuri

#### 11U Thunderhawks – White

with excitement and great derhawks baseball by all! play by the entire team. In the Deep Run Field of Kneeling: Nick Varallo, Chris pool play. They outscored their opponents 40-5, but were edged out in the playoff round by tournament champion Upper Providence. In their final tournament of the year the team put it all together. The boys rolled to a championship at the 12th Annual Gloucester Town-

ship Baseball All-Star Tournament. Dominant pitching and an attacking offense proved to be too much for the opposing teams as they went undefeated and outscored their opponents 33-

The team's offense was led by above .350 batting averages of Andrew Long, Landon McIntyre, Nick Varallo, Brandon Yothers, Stanley Dworak and Eli Kantor. Long and Yothers each connected on their first career homeruns The Deep Run 11U White during the summer season. baseball team participated McIntyre swiped an incredible in the Suburban Spring 31 bases during the team's League for the first time in 30 games. Outstanding pitch-2014. Despite some key ing was received from Carson injuries the team had a Wells, Varallo, Ethan Lewis, solid season and just Chris Duffy and Long. And missed the playoffs by one top notch defense was turned game. The summer tour- in by TJ Grenda and Andrew nament season was filled Cope. A great year of Thun-

Dreams tournament, the Duffy, Stanley Dworak, Eli Kanteam went undefeated in tor, Landon McIntyre, TJ Grenda Standing: Andrew Long, Brandon Yothers, Ethan Lewis, Andrew Cope Coaches: Trey Cope, Mike Kantor, Scott McIntyre, Tim Long Missing: Carson Wells, Mike Wells (coach)

#### 12U Thunderhawks – Blue

The 12U Thunderhawks Blue squad kicked off their last



urban excellent competition helped field. prepare the team for a tough The team finished pool play years together. Pictured (L to R):

Timmy Flynn, Jared Smith, McKade Trauger, Ryan

year in Little League base- foot by placing 6<sup>th</sup> out of 104 ball by competing in the Sub-players in the Golden Arm Baseball League. competition, where players Playing 14 games against hit a 5 foot target from center

summer travel season culmi- seeded 44th with a 4-2 renating with a successful trip cord. Game 1 was a hard to Cooperstown Dreams fought 6-5 win against a Park to wrap up their last 5 squad from Massachusetts. the Dover-Sherborn Raiders. McKade Trauger and Christian Guldin led the way with 2 RBIs each.

outing, and also went 2-3 with 2 homeruns and 5 RBIs. Ryan McAloon also hit his second HR of the tournament.

The team closed out pool play with a win over the Wayne PAL Wolfpack from NJ. Kaleb Rush, again led the way with 3 hits and 4 RBIs, including his first Home Run. The Thunderhawks blew the game open in the fourth on an

Smith. Additional home runs for Deep Run came when Ryan McAloon homered in the second inning and John Osborne homered in the second and fourth innings. Raymond Knight got it done on the rubber on the way to a win. He allowed one run over 6 1/3 innings, struck out seven, walked none and gave up six hits.



McAloon, Derek Morgan, Seth Kerrigan, Raymond, Knight, John Finley, John Osborne, Kaleb Rush, and Christian Guldin.

The team participated in the Kaleb Rush and Seth Kerri-Little League Tournament. was the Dreams Park Tournament, game. The boys lived with, traded pins with and competed Game 5 against the CT across the nation.

The Thunderhawks lost their next two games against strong teams form Minnesota (Edina Hornets) & Indiana (Northern Wells Impact.).

Field of Dreams Tournament gan got the team back on as well as the DJ Farrar track in game 4 vs. the Men-Montco Tournament, Har- don Storm out of NY. Kaleb leysville Stars and Stripes pitched a complete game 6 Tournament, Upper Perki- strike out game, and Seth hit omen, and the District 30 a 3-run Home Run to pace the offense. Ryan McAloon, But the highlight of the year Derek Morgan, and Raymond Cooperstown Knight also homered in the

against 104 teams from Thunder out of Connecticut First was the Raymond Knight Baseman Ryan McAloon got show. Raymond pitched a things started on the right complete game, 9 strikeout

RBI single by John Finley, an RBI single by Seth Kerrigan, an RBI single by Kaleb, a two-run single by Timmy Flynn, and a home run by Raymond Knight. Derek Morgan ended the game with a two-run homerun.

John Osborne clubbed two home runs to carry the Thunderhawks to a 7-6 win over the Springfield Titans (MA) in eight innings in the first playoff game. The teams traded runs for most of the contest, leading to four lead changes in the game. The team walked it off with a two-run home run by Kaleb Rush plating Jared

bats were busy Wednesday during the second playoff game. When the dust cleared the Thunderhawks had an 11-10 win over the Michigan Prior Lake Wildcats (19 seed) in six innings. The teams totaled 25 hits, including seven extra base hits in the game. Deep Run's Jared Smith, Timmy Flynn, McKade Trauger and John Osborne combined for six hits and five RBIs.

Three games in a row took its toll on the team, and they were finally eliminated from play from the tournament by the 12 seed Northern Wells Impact. Highlights of the week include

incredible fielding from third baseman McKade Trauger and centerfielder Jared Smith, Home Runs from Raymond Knight (4), Ryan McAloon (3), John Osborne (3), Derek Morgan (2), Kaleb Rush (2), and Seth Kerrigan. The team batted .412. led by four players who over .500, including Guldin (.522), Flynn (.521), Knight (.500), Finley (.500).

Rush's Walkoff extra inning home run above.

Herd, and Tyler Hodder for earning this honor.

The summer tournament season started with the team competing in the Towamencin Breast Cancer Invitational for the second year. This tournament benefits Cancer Research and 100% of the proceeds are donated to the Susan G. Komen foundation. It is a fun day and a great way to kick off the summer season while benefitting a great cause. The team finished the day with a win and a

competitive Quakertown tournament. After a rough start to the week with an opening loss to Southern Lehigh, the team went on to defeat the host Panthers with a late rally and walk off hit in the final inning and then earned an 11-10 victory over the eventual tournament champions from Upper Perk. Unfortunately, the team missed out on a chance to play in the Sunday playoffs due to the tie breakers in pool play.

The team then co-hosted the Deep Run Field of Dreams tournament with the 11U team. A full slate of games was played during the week as 8 teams entered each tournament making for a highly competitive and busy 32 game schedule. The 12 U team opened the week with an impressive 19-9 win over Quakertown followed by a tough loss to Lower Merion setting up a Saturday morning showdown with Plumstead for a spot in the Sunday playoffs. After falling

behind early, the team came back for an eventual 14-9 victory and a well deserved trip to the playoffs. The team ultimately finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place after losing to the eventual tournament champions from Southern Lehigh. In their final local tournament of the year, the boys went 1-2 in the DJ Farrar tournament, hosted by Montgomery Township.

The team concluded their season by participating in the much anticipated weeklong tournament at Cooperstown Dreams Park, against 104 teams from across the country. The week kicked off with the opening ceremonies and the skills competitions where the boys finished in the top 25 of the Around the Horn Plus competition. On the field, the boys competed hard over the next 4 days against some of the best competition that they saw all year, highlighted by some spectacular plays in the outfield, strong pitching, and timely hitting. The real highlights of the week came off the field where the boys got to spend time together trading pins, meeting other kids from 24 different states including Hawaii, going to the Baseball Hall of Fame, and hanging out at the lake with their families. The boys also got to play some spirited games of waffle ball and bunk house volleyball and enjoyed hanging out in the barracks watching movies together and talking with Umpire Ed. All in all, everyone had a great week and could agree that this experience was a true once in a lifetime experience that they loved. The team would like to thank everyone who made this possible, especially the sponsors, Deep Run, and most impor-



loss. Next up for the team was a trip to the always

#### 12U Thunderhawks - White

The 12 U White team got their season started by competing in the Suburban Travel baseball league in the Spring. After a rocky start and some tough early losses, the team got on a roll winning 6 of their final 7 games to secure a playoff spot with a 7-7 record. Eventually, the team lost to league runner up, Doylestown, to end their season. Three members of the team were then named to Suburban Travel all star team. Congratulations to Bobby Brashear, Tyler



tantly, their parents. Team members include Bobby Brashear, Trent Campbell, Cameron Daly, John Donovan, Tyler Herd, Tyler Hodder, Nick Lyons, Connor McOwen, Kyle Moran, Joe Muntz, Patrick Ott, and Patrick Pottichen.

#### **District Teams**

2014 saw two Deep Run Baseball teams, 10U and 12U, participate in the Little League District 30 tournament. Both teams represented Deep Run well.

10U Thunderhawks - The 10U team played true Deep Run baseball and fought their way to the District championship game but fell a few runs short and lost to Warwick. The boy's effort and never-say-die attitude were not lost on our competition, as they received praise from every opposing coach, fan, and even the District officials. Our bovs gained sol many new fans during the extended week that they were even introduced as "The Hometown Deep Run Thunderhawks" by Newtown's announcer in the championship. To say they made their coaches and parents proud would be an understatement. A special thanks to all the families and fans support during a great run!

The team was a mix of the best 9 and 10 year old boys Deep Run has to offer. Congrats to all the boys on the roster: Christian Beck, Matt Campione, Danny Cavallo, Ryan DeHaven, Conor Flynn, Joey Gant, Owen Gunn, Chris Haberle, Ashton McCloskey, AJ Neher, Justin

Nichols, Marcus Pringle and Nicholas Rosica. The coaching staff was Dave Gant, Joe Gunn, Rich Neher and Nick Rosica.

12U Thunderhawks – The 12U team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in pool play, and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in tournament play, losing to eventual District and Sectional Champion Warwick Bulldogs. Highlights of the tournament include a 6<sup>th</sup> inning walkoff single by Tyler Herd over Newtown that clinched the number 2 seed, and 5 shutout innings of pitching by Kaleb Rush to secure a 1-0 playoff win over the same Newtown team.

The team was made up of John Osborne, Kaleb Rush, Christian Guldin, Timmy Flynn, Jared Smith, Anthony Buccufuri, Derek Morgan,



This summer the Deep Run Family lost a member of our extended family. Andrew Renzi grew up playing







Raymond Knight, Trent Fisher, Ryan McAloon, Seth Kerrigan, McKade Trauger, John Finley, Tyler Herd, and Bobby Brashear. The coaching staff included Ray Knight, Steve McAloon, Bob Jared Smith, Anthony Buccufuri. (Back Row) Derek Morgan, Raymond Knight, Trent Fisher, Ryan McAloon, Seth Kerrigan, McKade Trauger, John Finley, Tyler Herd, and Bobby Brashear

Renzi Memorial Field of Dreams Tournament

baseball at Deep Run and has always had a love of baseball and teaching baseball to the next generation of players. In July Andrew lost his battle with Cancer. Andrew exhibited the passion and the dedication that we hope all coaches' display. Andrew's friends and family reached out to DRVSA to ask if we all could honor Andrew's life in some way.

The Andrew Renzi Field of Dreams youth baseball tournament is named in honor of Andrew Renzi. Andrew was diagnosed with kidney cancer on January 1. 2013 and has attacked the disease as he attacked any task in life - with all of his spirit. It's in honor of this spirit that the Deep Run Valley Sports Association has honored Andrew by putting his name on the 8 vear old tournament. The inaugural tournament raised over \$1,100 for the charity that Andrew has chosen: The Ronald McDonald House of the Philadelphia Region.

The board of Andrew's foundation and DRVSA would like to grow this annual event next year, and

# Junior / Senior Little League Baseball

# Junior/Senior Little League

Beginning in early April we started the second spring season of Junior and Senior Little League at Deep Run. We had 3 Junior baseball teams (13-14 year olds) coached by John Gallagher, Al Reisser and Jeff Xander. We had 2 Senior baseball teams (15-16 year olds) coached by Jim Mahaffey and Dave Yoder. A special thanks goes out to these coaches for devoting their time so that the boys could play baseball. Most of the coaches (and their assistants) did not have the time to spare...but made it happen.

For many of the 13 year olds, this was their first experience on the big field and they did great! What a wonderful way to get warmed up for the Connie Mack season which started as we were winding down. Junior and Senior Little League offers the opportunity for all age appropriate boys to play baseball. There are no cuts. An evaluation session is held in February in order to help balance out the teams.

Each team played 12 games. The games were scheduled against Deep Run, Pennridge, Langhorne, Northampton and Holland

Little League teams.

At the end of the season, Pennridge hosted a playoff tournament with the Deep Run and Pennridge teams. Congratulations to the Junior Deep Run Gray team, coached by Jeff Xan-

entered a Junior Little League team in the District



der, for winning it all!

Back Row – Coach Jeff Xander, Assistant Jeremy Xander, Sean Yoder, Luke Eissler, Matt Eissler, Dane Landes, Nick Eissler, Evan Frankenfield, Sean Duffy, Assistant Kevin Xander, Assistant Chip Eissler Front Row – Pragun Bhardwaj, Michael Petteruti, Blake Benner, Eric Xander, David Scavuzzo, Andrew Knight and Patrick Coughlin

Junior and Senior Little League attracted players of all levels and experience. Some of the high school players enjoyed the opportunity to play baseball without the pressure, while improving their skills. It was a lot of fun!

For the first time, Deep Run

tournament. This team lost to Northampton, who went on to be the runner-ups in the state tournament.

Junior District Little League Team below



Junior / Senior Little

League Baseball



Back row – Assistant John Gallagher, Assistant Chip Eissler, Nick Eissler, Sean Yoder, Evan Carey, Luke Eissler, Shane Long, Sean Duffy, Coach Jeff Xander

Front row – Pragun Bhard waj, Joey Staropoli, Michael Petteruti, Eric Xander, Matt Eissler, Sean Gallagher



We are looking forward to growing this program in Spring of 2015, and are talking with other local organizations about joining! Watch for information on sign-ups towards the end of the year.

#### Connie Mack Baseball

### Connie Mack A

The "A" team had a great season finishing 17-3 in the Bux-Mont Division which meant they finished in first place. They played Doylestown in the championship which they won 2 out of the 3 games and were crowned 2014 Bux-Mont Champs. We were also the number one seed in the 12 team Connie Mack State Tour-Unfortunately nament. we ran out of gas and were eliminated in the 2nd Round. Congratulations to Coaches Alderfer. Freed. Gordon. and the ball players on winning the championship!

#### Connie Mack B 1

The "B1" Team had a strong regular season posting a 14-4 record which meant they were the #3 seed in the Sullivan Division. After losing, in the first round, the team rallied and made it all the way to the semifinals of the championship. Unfortunately they lost and ended up in 3rd place for the year.

#### Connie Mack B

We fielded two teams at the "B" level in 2014. Both teams made the playoffs and made it past the first few rounds. While neither made it to the semi finals they both showed exceptional ability on both offense and defense as well as exceptional sportsmanship on the field.

#### Connie Mack C

Both "C" teams had exceptional seasons. They both had winning records and were highly seeded in the playoffs. While one of the teams was knocked out early our other team made a run all the way to the finals and won the Bux-Mont "C" championship. Congratulations to Coach Diaz and his team of ball players!

Overall we had a great season. The coaches and players all showed great sportsmanship and represented Deep Run at the highest level.

Thanks to all!
Jim Mahaffey—Connie
Mack Commissioner

Congratulations to Deep Run Bux-Mont Connie Mack Baseball "C" abilities offensively as well. They remained undefeated through playoff's to become the Sullivan Division Champion. On Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup>, the team entered the League Championship against Nor-Gwyn.

Both teams were there to win, and it showed in every inning and in every play. Both teams were very competitive, but never lost sight that they were sportsman. and the fairness, respect and friendliness with the opposing team, throughout the entire game was remarkable. In an exciting match-up and very close game throughout right down to the bottom of the last inning, Deep Run emerged victorious and was the Bux-Mont Connie Mack Baseball League Champion, finishing with a season record of 18-3.

**Connie Mack** 





#### League Champions.

Deep Run Valley Sports Association completed the regular season of Bux-Mont Connie Mack Baseball "C" League as second seed with a record of 13-3. They showed their teamwork with a consistently solid defense and they demonstrated their From left to right: Sean Duffy, Tristan Diaz, John Dominic, Joey Staropoli, Coach Gerry Diaz,

Sean Gallagher, Matt Eissler, Shane Long, Dane Landes, Kevin Knapp, Sam Cressman and Nick Eissler. Missing from picture: Joe DiStefano, Danny Loveless, Jacob Kulick and Assistant Coaches: Tom Loveless and Bob Cressman

#### Soccer

#### **TRAVEL**

The Deep Run Travel program consists of 30 teams. The teams compete at the highest levels throughout the area in the Inter County Soccer League and in PAGS. Deep Run Travel Soccer is led by our Player Development Staff and is excited to continue to expand our offerings for travel soccer players. Next year players will be able to try out for teams that will be directed by professional coaches and will regularly compete at a regional and national level.

We had an excellent Deep Run Intramural spring soccer season. We had thirty-four teams. Thanks so much to all of the volunteers who coached, took care of the fields and worked at the snack stand. Deep Run is an all-volunteer organization and the efforts put forth by its members make a difference of the stand of the efforts of the stand of the

The Deep Run fall season is here! We are creating teams, identifying coaches, ordering uniforms, compiling rosters and developing game schedules. Rosters will be emailed to volunteer coaches at the end of August. Coaches will contact their players at their earliest convenience. As always we appreciate your patience.

A few notes about the upcoming 2014 fall soccer season:

Practice for all divisions (except Pee Wee) will begin in late August (at the discretion and availability of the volunteer coach).

The official season will start after Labor Day and continue until early November. Games are played on Saturdays (time varies) and one night during the week until we run out of daylight (days vary).

We will once again be using national team jerseys (World Cup style) for all divisions except Pee Wee. Uniforms include jershorts and sev. Each Pee Wee socks. player receives a team tshirt, team socks, and a size 3 "dinosaur ball." Please remember that all players must wear shin guards while practicing and playing.

The end of the season is celebrated with the IM Cup day parade and tournament. A DJ will provide music while the kids play several games of soccer. It is always a fun event!



We implemented a player draft in the Major Boys and Girls division in the spring season to help create balanced soccer teams. We will continue this practice for this division in the fall. In all

other divisions, "play with" requests will be considered but cannot be guaranteed especially for late registrants.

Please refer to our website for player clinics to be held in August. Our clinics are conducted by our travel team coaches and are supported by the high school coaches. The clinics are designed to be fun and informative for both the players and intramural coaches. Tentative dates for the clinics are:

Coaches clinic: Thurs. August 21st 6:00-7:30

Minor B, Minor A and Major B Clinic:

Wed. August 27th 6:00-7:30

Pee Wee Coaches Clinic: Wed. August 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:00PM

Pee Wee Clinic: Wed. August 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:00PM

Positive Coaching Alliance:
Wed. Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>
6:00-8:00PM

We are always in need of volunteers for everything from maintaining the fields, helping with IM Cup Day and coaching the Additionally, we teams. would like to identify a representative for each Division. A Division representative is a person who would help out only during special events like clinics, the fall tournament and

communication with coaches in their division. We really appreciate any help we can get. If you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Bogie Rosypal

bogierosypal@yahoo.com) or the club's general email (drvsaclubhouse@comcast.n et). We look forward to seeing you on the field!

Soccer



#### Basketball

# INTRAMURAL New Divisions

The names of the intramural basketball divisions are changing from age-based (e.g. 6-7 year olds) to grade -based (e.g. 1st-2nd grade) to help eliminate questions about which division a child should register for. Since the birthday cutoff of August 31st for basketball already matched the school cutoff date this is really only a change in name. Much of the confusion in past years because parents signed their child up for a division based on their age but really wanted them to play with their classmates regardless of when their birthday fell.

We also plan to add an older division for the 10th -12th grade boys. Deep Run has done this in the past but not in recent years. These games will likely be played at the middle schools and bluow use PIAA officials. The registration fee for this age group will be slightly more than the others to help offset the cost of having the certified referees. Exactly how the two oldest groups get divided may change based on the number of registrations in each.

The divisions for the coming year are:

Boys 1st-2nd grade Boys 3rd-4th grade Boys 5th-6th grade Boys 7th-9th grade \*NEW\*

Boys 10th-12th grade Girls 1st-2nd grade Girls 3rd-4th grade Girls 5th-7th grade

#### **Schedule**

Registration will be open from September 1st through October 31st.

Once again, the older divisions (5th grade and up) will form the teams by draft. In November we plan on having skill assessments for these older divisions. These aren't really tryouts because everyone that registers will be on a team in the appropriate age division. They will just help the coaches determine player ability when we are drafting the teams and hopefully lead to more balanced teams. The only play-with requests that will be honored in these older groups will be with siblings. Every effort will be made to accommodate play-with requests in the younger age groups (1st -4th grades), but they are not quaranteed.

Games and practices will be on Saturdays between 7:30AM and 4:30PM at Bucksmont Indoor Sports Center in Hatfield. We have added another hour of court time on all three courts to better accommodate our growing program. This means that all games and practices there will be starting at the bottom of the hour (:30) instead of the top (:00).

Practices start on December 6th and run through December 27th. Games then start on January 3rd and run through March

14th. There will be no games at Bucksmont on Valentine's Day (Feb 14th) due to another event at the facility. March 21st will be available for make up games if needed.

#### **Division Heads**

This year we would like to add division heads to help keep everything organized within each age group. If vou've been interested in volunteering but can't commit to all the games or iust aren't comfortable with coaching basketball then this would be a great opportunity to give back to Deep Run and your community. The division heads will assist with communicating with coaches, setting rosters, scheduling the tryouts and drafts, and distributing uniforms and awards. Of course we are also always looking for volunteers to coach at every level. Please indicate how you would like to help out on the registration form.

We can't wait to see everyone out on the courts!

#### **TRAVEL**

The Skyhawks travel basketball program is gearing up for the 2014-2015 season with tryouts in September and league games starting in December. Last year we fielded 16 travel teams, with multiple teams at several age groups. In spite of the crazy weather last winter we had a very successful season with several teams making the playoffs. This year we

again hope to offer teams ranging from U8 through U13 for boys and U9 to U13 for girls.

Tryouts will be held at Pennridge Central Middle school starting Monday, September 15th and they will run for approximately two weeks. The actual tryout schedule is being constructed and will be

#### Basketball



posted on the website by September 1st. All participants, especially new players, are encouraged to register online now so we can prepare properly for tryouts.

We are holding an organizational meeting Wednesday, August 13th at 8 PM at the Deep Run Clubhouse. Anyone interested in coaching or helping out with the travel basketball program is encouraged to attend. If you are interested in coaching or assistant coaching but can not make the meeting, please contact the clubhouse or the Travel Commissioner (Will Rodzewich at

willrodzewich@gmail.com).

We are particularly interested in finding a coach and players for the girls U12 (7<sup>th</sup> grade) level.

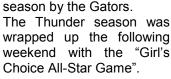


#### Softball

# **Lady Lightning** Softball

were had!

The Raindrops (girls ranging





2014 brought another successful Spring Intramural Softball Season with well over 300 young athletes playing in six age groups ranging from 3 years old to 18 years old.

Some highlights included The Dewdrops season finale skills session, The Raindrops All-Star Game, The Thunder & Bolts All-Star Game, The Phillies Home Run Derby, The Thunder & Bolts Championship game, as well as some Valley Intramural Girls Softball (VIGS) playoff action.

The Dewdrops (girls ranging from 3-6 this year) finished their spring season with a skills session. The players took part in a competition made up of (3) different skills – running, Modell's Sporting Goods Gathrowing, and batting. The

from 7 -8) finished their season with a "Girl's Choice All-Star Game". Players were selected from the various teams to compete together during this special event.

Moving on to The Thunder (girls ranging from 9-10), The







Softball



event was led by Megan McCluskey (The Dewdrops Division Director) and some Players. Great prizes were handed out and good times

tors, Champions finished after defeating The David Brooke Rush Builder's of our 12U Travel Softball Fightin' Irish in a hard fought game. This capped a great

Next, The Bolts (girls ranging from 11-12) Season saw The Whitetails Unlimited Longhorns topping The Ken Beer & Son's Wolverines in a great playoff game. This was a hard fought game



#### Softball—Continued

with a lot of excitement! The Bolts season too wrapped up with a "Girl's Choice All-Star Game".

Additionally, in The Storm wrapped up their season with Coach Bob and his team winning the 14U VIGS



The Hurricanes finished their season with Coach Nap and his team winning the 18U VIGS (Valley Intramural Girls Softball) League Championship. Way to go girls!

League Championship. Congratulations girls!

The Phillies also visited Deep Run for their annual Home Run Derby. This was a great day of fun, excitement, and prizes! The following girls placed in their

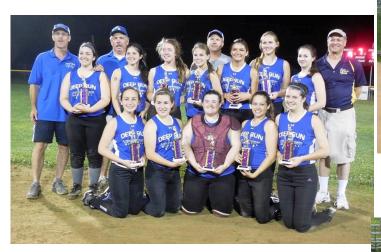


9/10s – Anya, Maggie, and Carlee.



11/12s – Emily, Allison, Samantha, and Samantha.

Moving along to the future, please look for Fall Softball online registration during August. Fall Ball will start around Labor Day. It's another opportunity to learn a little more and play a little more for girls 7 through 18. Lastly, we hope to see you again in the Spring! Look for online registration in January of 2015.



respective age groups and will get the chance to move on to regional competition later this summer: 7/8s – Grace, Lindsay, Emily, and Riley.





Softball

# Travel Softball Travel Softball

U12 Black (Coach Hegen)

U12 Black completed the regular season of the Suburban Travel Softball League with an 8-3 record. They entered the league tournament as the 4 seed. They won their first game against the Impact, but lost in the semifinals to the eventual champion, Valley. The team was lead at the plate by Emily Hegen, Camryn Logue, Sami Shuck and Wiss Chiappetta. On the mound, Tara Clegg, Makenna Patterson, and Tori Fuchs led the way with Sami Shuck as well. The defense was solidified by Mary Kate Levush, Chloe Smith, Kennedi Wells, Alyssa Martin and Morgan Phillips.

The team has competed in one USSSA tournament and will have two more in the month of July.

**U12 Blue** (Coach Coughenour)

U12 Blue participates in the Suburban Travel Softball League and had a .500 record (5-5-1).

The team's biggest achieve-

Helbling, Anna James, Kaci Alderfer, Front Row: Catelyn Thrush, Abbie James, Jessica Levush, Jordana Jagiello, Anna Hensler, Grace Rosica, Not pictured: Abby Kodidek.

but played like champions. Throughout the season they showed a lot of improvement and built confidence for years to come. All of the coaches are extremely proud of how the players worked hard, had fun and learned to play like a travel team.

Come out and support the team in the July 12/13 USSSA 10U-C PA State Championship tournament being hosted by Deep Run.



ment to date would be taking 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Happy Valley Spring Explosion Tournament in State College on 5/17-5/18.

U10 (Coach Thrush)

Deep Run 10U Suburban Travel Softball team. Players pictured are from back left: Reagan Bauman, Maggie Hayes, Grace



The 10U Lady Lightning had a great season finishing with 5 wins and 6 loses. The team won the first round of the Suburban Travel playoffs but lost to the #1 Seed in the 2nd round.

This year's team was a very young development team





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#### Girls Trailblazer Lacrosse

#### Girls Lacrosse

picnic the first week of June. the first practices were held



The Girls Lacrosse Program- We will offer some "open Trailblazers happily helped Deep Run Trailblazers- wel- lacrosse" sessions field a total of 7 teams this goes out to everyone who helped coach, line fields, order and hand out shirts and uniforms, etc. Our biggest thanks goes to such supportive parents! And thank you to the Deep Run Board and community for supporting this sport.

The girls played in several tournaments (referred to as Play Days) and the 3rd-8th graders competed in the Tri-County League under PAGLA (Philadelphia Area Girls Lacrosse Association). We are excited to fill out a stronger and more Take a moment to read ganizing the districts so that teams. there will be greater equity in the number of games played The by each league.

comed a record # of athletes fall. Dates will be shared via providing some subs. The this spring. We were able to the DRVSA website and season ended with a big email system. Registration barbeque and parent -kid season! A huge thank you for next spring will occur in lacrosse game. Needless January.



competitive league schedule some thoughts provided by next year. PAGLA is reor- the coaches about their

and 1st 2ndgrade Trailblazers lacrosse had a great season! Twenty A true highlight of the sea- six girls participated this son was the fellowship year, up from 14 last shared during the Parent/ year. After patiently waiting Daughter game and finale for all of the snow to melt,



on the Perkasie tennis courts until the Telegraph fields were ready. The girls worked hard learning ground ball pickups, passing and catching... Importantly practicing their stick skills with both hands. Three "round robin" tournaments were played against the Central Bucks and Council Rock The girls learned teams. field positions and the rules of the game. In the final game of the season against Quakertown, the Deep Run this out the opposing team by to say, the girls impressed the parents with their lacrosse skills. 2014 was a great year for 1st and 2nd grade Trailblazers lacrosse. The coaches are looking forward to seeing everyone back next spring! The 3/4 grade Trailblazers fielded 27 players this Spring and faced some competitive squads in their first year of league play. With half of the girls

brand new to the game, and



half returning players, the teams came together and showed great improvement each week. The girls competed in the Abington and Souderton Playdays capped off a successful season with a Round Robin at our home field. Each and every player contributed to the team and as they build on stick skills and knowledge of the game, these girls will be a force to be reckoned with!

Both the 5th/6th grade and the 7th/8th grade teams had a successful and fun sea-Both age brackets son. competed in the Abington Playday, SAGLA play day and Tri-County league competition. Both new and returning players improved stick skills, learned offensive plays and learned the importance of sharing the ball to become successful on the field.



# Message from the President

# From the Desk of the DRVSA President ~~ Hans Sumpf

This is our fall newsletter, fall is a great season to get your kids out and have some fun! Between intramural and travel, we have over 1300 kids playing in our fall programs. Most fall sports season will begin the week of Sept. 1st. Check out the different sport pages on our web site actual dates and for August clinics. There are lots of fun activities planned for this fall. Winter basketball intramural online registration will begin Late August; walk in dates will be Saturday Sept. 13 & Sept. 20 and during that week between 10:00AM - 12:00PM. New this year we will use grades instead of age for brackets, we are also bringing back an older boy's bracket 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Read more in the Intramural Basketball section of the newsletter. Travel Basketball tryouts will begin Monday Sept 15 through Friday Sept. 27 at Pennridge Central Middle School. Age bracket and times will be posted mid-August. Ages 8 – 13 for boys and 9 - 13 for girls. keep checking the website for more information! Here is the link to the Deep Run home page: http:// www.drvsa.org/cm2/

# DRVSA 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

still looking for golfers!!
Friday, September 12,
2013 at MaCoby Run Golf
Course 1:00PM Shotgun
Start. Registration online or
print form from <a href="http://www.drvsa.org/cm2/index.php/golf-outing">http://www.drvsa.org/cm2/index.php/golf-outing</a> or
email

DRVSACLUB-HOUSE@COMCAST.NET
All proceeds go to paying off the mortgage. Please help by supporting this function. We are also looking for hole sponsors and door prizes to be given to the golfers.

# Positive Coaching Alliance

We will again ask all of the Deep Run coaches who have not attended the PCA course to sign up. This years program will be a 2 hour session will be Wednesday. We will continue this program and invite anyone that coaches. parent or is interested in the program to attend. This is a free program offered by Deep Run. Come and enroll to hear what our programs are about. The dates and times will be posted on our web site. Just email DRVSACLUB-HOUSE@COMCAST.NET to register or to request more information.

### DEEP RUN ALL SPORTS CAMP

I would like to thank the counselors who helped make the camp a great success. We had over 230 kids attend the camp during the three weeks we offered it. We will offer the camp again next year, so please look for the 2015 All Sport Camp registration on our web site. Register early which helps us ensure we have enough counselors available.

# Thanks to the Many Volunteers

that make the Deep Run Valley Sports Association experience a great one. There are many veteran volunteers who are retiring after years of service on the board and we hope new folks step up to fill in. All DRVSA members are always invited to attend the monthly board meetings held on the second Tuesday of the month. As we continue to grow in number of players, each sport will need more volunteers. Please consider serving on the board or participating in some of the important committee slots for each sport. For more information visit our website, select ABOUT DRVSA and then go to the Board of Directors page. You will see our monthly minutes, by-laws, information on the different positions, and current board members. As always, feel free to contact the clubhouse via email DRVSACLUB -HOUSE@COMCAST.NET

with questions.

We want your child to enjoy our many sports programs. For financial considerations please contact me at <a href="mailto:hans49@verizon.net">hans49@verizon.net</a> we will work with you to make it affordable for your child to play at Deep Run. See you at the DVRSA complex as things rev up in August for the fall 2014 season!

Hans Sumpf President DRVSA Hans49@verizon.net

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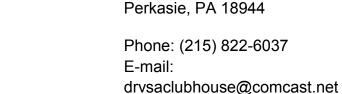
Located in Hilltown Township, DRVSA provides Pennridge School District and the surrounding community's children with Soccer, Basketball, Baseball, Softball, and Lacrosse programs.

Deep Run is a nonprofit organization that relies on parent volunteers. The club's purpose is to provide an instructional atmosphere, to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed and enjoy the various sport programs from an intramural level to travel level.



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