

Dear District Champion Coaches & Players,

Congratulations on winning your recent District Tournament and welcome to the Minnesota, 2010 13-15 Year Old Babe Ruth State Tournament in Cold Spring. Cold Spring Babe Ruth will be hosting you and your fans for the July 29th thru August 1 or August 2nd, 2010 tournament at Cold Spring Baseball Park fields in Cold Spring, Minnesota.

All of us at Cold Spring Babe Ruth are looking forward to your participation and we hope the following information will be helpful as you plan your trip.

TOURNAMENT NAMES, ADDRESSES & NUMBERS:

Minnesota Babe Ruth Baseball
www.minnesotababeruth.com

Tournament Director:

Kurt Hemmesch
1107 First Street North
Cold Spring, MN 56320
Cell #: 320-248-5787
Home #: 320-685-5722
Email: spartanbooster@aol.com

Tournament Fields:

Cold Spring Baseball Park
700 1st Street South
Cold Spring, MN 56320

CHECK-IN INFORMATION

Team check-in will take place (at least 1 hour before) before your first game at the Tournament Headquarters Office, which is located at Cold Spring Baseball Park. Babe Ruth officials will be present to verify the team credentials. To expedite this process, **you must have your team player roster, all birth documents and consent to treat forms in alphabetical order.**

TOURNAMENT PROGRAM

Please provide your team information, including player's names, numbers and coaches by no later than Monday, July 26. Any information received after this date might not be available in the tournament program. Team pictures are required. Please send your e-mail with tournament rosters and photo's to spartanbooster@aol.com

TOURNAMENT T-SHIRTS

Tournament T-shirts will be available for sale by pre-orders and during the tournament for \$12.00. To get the t-shirt size you want to purchase, we encourage the teams make orders before you arrive. Team managers please e-mail Kurt Hemmesch with your pre-order so that your team gets the appropriate sizes.

TICKET PRICES

Tournament Pass

\$12.00 Adults (ages 18-59)

\$8.00 Seniors & Children (Over 59 and children 7-17)

Children under 7 free

Daily Pass

\$6.00 Adults (ages 18-59)

\$4.00 Seniors and Children (Over 59 and children 7-17)

Children under 7 free

TOURNAMENT PRACTICE FIELDS

Hitting areas are available. You will need to make arrangement with the tournament director for times and locations available.

GENERAL TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

- Regular Babe Ruth Baseball National League Tournament rules will be the guideline.
- A coin flip will determine the home and visitor teams before each game. Team managers should meet with the Tournament Director a hour before game time to do the coin flip.
- All tournament Games will be played at Cold Spring Baseball Park fields. Teams are expected to be ready to play at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled game time. We will allow a brief infield/outfield warm-up prior to games if time permits.
- All tournament games will be played according to the scheduled times. However, game times MIGHT change based on in climate weather.
- Game lineups should be turned in at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled game time.
- Dugouts will be assigned as follows: HOME - 3rd Base, VISITOR - 1st Base.
- The dugouts are OFF LIMITS, AT ALL TIMES, TO EVERYONE, EXCEPT ROSTERED MANAGERS, COACHES, & PLAYERS. If parents want to talk or deliver items to players, we strongly recommend this be done before or after the game.
- Batting practice will be assigned by Tournament Director.
- If you use "soft-toss" drills, we request that you bring your own screen. Soft-toss WILL NOT be allowed on the fences at Cold Spring Baseball Park fields.
- The bullpen areas are down each foul line and outside the playing field and are to be used for game play only. This means, before and during the game, for the purpose of pitcher warm-up or other player activity as is necessary for game preparation. Please make sure your players remain inside the dugouts at all times, except when involved in game play.

- Relief pitchers, coming off of the bench, should be warmed up in the bullpen. After taking the mound, all relief pitchers will be allowed limited warm up pitches as described by Babe Ruth rules.
- We request that each team “clean-up” their dugout and bullpen area after each game. Trash receptacles will be appropriately placed at all times.

Once again, WELCOME to the 2010 13-15 Year Old State Babe Ruth Tournament hosted by Cold Spring Babe Ruth. If you have questions, please check the information on the web pages listed or have your team representative contact Kurt Hemmesch, Tournament Director, in advance of your arrival. We look forward to meeting you and being your host throughout the tournament.

HOTEL AND OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE:

Hotel:

Holiday Inn and Suites
75 South 37th Avenue
St. Cloud, MN 56301

If you still need to book a hotel, you can call 320-253-9000 ext 450 contact is Tracy and let them know you are with the Cold Spring State Tournament for a group rates.

Rooms

Standard rooms (other types available also) \$74.95 Thursday, \$99.95 Friday & Saturday. Our guest rooms have one queen or two double beds. The rooms include a refrigerator/freezer, hairdryer, coffee maker and iron/ironing board. Each room also includes a business desk/chair with complimentary access to high-speed wireless Internet.

Tournament Rosters and Team Photo for Babe Ruth National:

If you have not submitted your tournament team roster and 500 mg or less team photo to Babe Ruth Online website www.baberuthonline.com please do so immediately. See your league president or system administrator for details.

This information for Babe Ruth Online is needed for the Minnesota State Champion to go onto the Midwest Plains Regional Tournament to be held at:

13-15 Year Old Midwest Plains Regional Tournament: Minot, North Dakota on August 5th thru August 10th, 2010

Thank you all and we hope you enjoy your stay and the State Tournament in Cold Spring.

Sincerely,
Tournament Director
Kurt Hemmesch