

**Oldtimers Slingshot League**  
**Spring 2016**

Date & Time: March 31/16, 8pm

Place: Home of Rob Dearing

In attendance: Rob Dearing, Jay Bowles, Bob Smith, Steve Squibb, Jeff Pfeifer, Cory Broughton, and representatives from each team.

1. Responsibilities for the league were outlined:

Rob Dearing and Jay Bowles are Joint-Commissioners;

Bob Smith is Secretary/Treasurer;

Steve Squibb will organize umpires for the playoff tournament;

Rob Dearing will take care of tournament schedule;

Jeff Pfeifer will take care of League MVP;

Cory Broughton is statistician (scores)

Rob thanked all those for helping out with these responsibilities.

2. Each team is responsible for getting their own game balls. We are trying to switch to coloured balls, but use up whites if you still have some left over from last year.

3. Looking to change playoff format having an "A" champion (top 2 teams from each pool playoff against each other after round-robin play) and a "B" champion (2<sup>nd</sup> place teams from each pool playoff against each other after round-robin play).

4. Use of batting helmets, though not mandatory, are strongly recommended during games.

5. Insurance for the league has benefited some players. Rob will look into a minimum age requirement for players in order for insurance coverage.

6. Courtesy runners during a game were discussed and the following rule will apply:

a) A team can have 3 courtesy runners from 1<sup>st</sup> base per game; courtesy runner will be last out

b) In addition, if a player (maximum 2) is injured prior to game but plays, it is to be announced before game time for a courtesy runner; courtesy runner will be last available runner & only from 1<sup>st</sup> base. Out-of-park homeruns are okay.

7. Late Cancellations – last year, 2 hour notice was not enough time unless it was weather related. The following rule was agreed to:

A minimum of 8 hours notice before game time is required if a team is going to be short players. If less than 8 hours notice, a \$40 penalty will be incurred by the offending team and paid to the league but will not be a forfeit. The game will be rescheduled but a forfeit will result if the same team cancels again.

The preceding rule is void if both teams can work it out and if cancellation is due to weather conditions.

8. A 10-game minimum for players to play at the playoff tournament has not been a concern in previous years.

9. There is no bat rule. The current balls that we use in the league (KMaster 47 Core) works with the not having a bat rule.

10. If a team only has 8 players, a 9<sup>th</sup> batter out rule will not apply.

11. There was discussion about moving the playoff tournament to St. Pauls; however, there would be additional costs. There will be an attempt to have a booth open at the Cromarty ball park during the playoff tournament.

12. Pitching Rules:    - the ball cannot come back above the shoulder  
                              - there is no hopping; have to drag toe, level with the field  
                              - elbow cannot break

Each team is to take it upon themselves to monitor/control pitchers in adhering to the pitching rules

13. \$240 registration fee for each team.