



PYB General Information

HISTORY

Pewaukee Youth Baseball was founded back in 1990 by John Kuczkowski and Steve Schauwitzer. Since then, Pewaukee Youth Baseball (PYB) has worked with Pewaukee's children to teach them good sportsmanship and baseball fundamentals. PYB currently provides these opportunities for both boys and girls from the 1st to 8th grade, offering both a "recreational" program as well as a traveling club program known as the Jr. Pirates.

PYB started with 95 kids in its first season, and has had as many as 370 children and 28 teams participating. All of the coaches, board members and other helpers are all volunteers. PYB holds several special events each year. The Annual Jr. Pirate Tournament and the Pewaukee Baseball Golf Classic are both major fundraisers for our organization. PYB holds its annual Day of Champions at Miller Park's Helfaer Field at the end of each season.

The original goals of this organization were to instill and develop positive attitudes in our children. We hope to someday develop a new baseball and sports complex here in the Pewaukee community. Funds have begun to be put aside for that sole purpose.

The growth of the Pewaukee community begins with the children. Like the building blocks in our homes, factories and offices, it is important to give Pewaukee's young people a solid foundation filled with positive, practical and constructive principles and values such as:

- Every player plays every game. No exceptions!
- Winning isn't everything, but wanting to win is. Be humble in victory. Be gracious and reflective in defeat.
- The team's name on the front of the jersey is more important than the individual's name and number on the back.
- The game is just that - a game - intended for fun for one and all.

PYB is determined to see that the enrollment of young players continues at a high level and that adult volunteers are abundant. Please continue to support our children by donating your time, talents and treasures. Remember - the main purpose for being here is for our children, and we need everyone's help.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Pewaukee Youth Baseball is comprised of 2 separate programs: The Recreation (Rec) Program and the Jr. Pirate Program

Pewaukee Youth Baseball Rec Program

Open to both boys and girls between the 1st and 8th grades. Educational program, playing time primary focus

Program is open to everyone regardless of residency; however space is limited and first priority is given to residents of the City and Village of Pewaukee

4 divisions: Rookie (Grades 1&2), Minor (Grades 3&4), Junior (Grades 5&6), Major (Grades 7&8)

Pewaukee Youth Baseball Jr. Pirate Program

Open to both boys and girls residing in the City and Village of Pewaukee

Competitive invitation only program

Playing time is not guaranteed!

Invitations made after the prior season concludes – for example, selections for the 2006 teams were made right after the 2005 season concluded

REC PROGRAM DETAILS

The PYB recreation program is the original founding program of the league. It is made up of 4 distinct divisions: The **Rookie Division**, which consists of kids in grades 1 & 2, the **Minor Division**, which consists of kids in grades 3 & 4, the **Junior Division**, which are the kids in grades 5 & 6, and the **Major Division**, which are the 7th and 8th graders. Both boys and girls are welcome to play.

All teams, regardless of division play approximately 11-12 games with most games on weeknights. The basic rules of baseball (3 strikes, 3 outs, 4 bases, etc...) are applicable across all divisions. All divisions use a continuous batting order, and players are not allowed to sit out more than 1 inning defensively, except for disciplinary reasons. The PYB Program is meant to be fun and educational!

Here are some details about the 4 divisions:

ROOKIE DIVISION (Grades 1 & 2)

- Umpiring done by coach volunteers
- An adult coach pitches to his/her team - another coach acts as the catcher
- The batter receives as many pitches as needed to put the ball in play
- Teams bat around each time at bat
- "Runs" are scored by the number of outs recorded
- No base stealing, leadoffs, balks, or walks
- A special RIF (Reduced Injury Factor) hardball is used

MINOR DIVISION (Grades 3 & 4)

- Umpiring done by volunteers / parents
- No base stealing, leadoffs, balks, or walks (Ball is put in play via Batting Tee after ball 4)
- 7 run maximum in any one given inning
- A special RIF (Reduced Injury Factor) hardball is used

JUNIOR DIVISION (Grades 5 & 6)

- Home Plate Umpire provide by League, Base Umpiring done by volunteers / parents
- Limited lead-offs and base stealing

MAJOR DIVISION (Grades 7 & 8)

- Home Plate Umpire provide by League, Base Umpiring done by volunteers / parents
- Limited lead-offs and base stealing

Team Formation

Teams are formed by a committee whose sole purpose is to try to achieve equity. With that said, it's quite difficult to achieve equal teams given the many variables existing when choosing youth sports teams. Special requests will be considered.

REC. PRACTICES & GAMES

All rec. teams practice twice a week starting in early May for about 5 weeks. Each practice lasts around 2 hours. Practices are held throughout the week (including weekends) at ball diamonds throughout the Pewaukee Park System. The PYB Program Head Coaches will contact parents prior to the first day of practice to relay important information about the upcoming season. Game schedules are typically announced during practices.

The regular season starts in early June and runs until the end of July. Each team plays approximately twice per week during this time, with a small break around the 4th of July, for a total of 11-12 games. Games are played on weeknights starting at around 6PM as well as some Saturday games - teams typically will not play on consecutive nights nor will they play on Sundays. Game durations vary by division: Rookie games lasts 1 hour, the Minors 1 1/2 hours and the Juniors and Majors 2 hours.

UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT

Pewaukee Youth Baseball provides each team with batting and running helmets, bats, catching gear and of course baseballs. Players are required to furnish white baseball pants and their own baseball gloves. General purpose-type gloves are recommended over position-specific gloves like first base and outfield.

JR. PIRATE PROGRAM DETAILS

The Jr Pirate Program consists of (2) **Jr Pirate Raindrops** teams and (2) **Jr Pirate Puddles** teams. The Raindrops teams play in the 12 & under Raindrops division, and the Puddles teams play in the 14 & under Puddles division. This is a competitive program, and playing time is not guaranteed! Teams are formed by invitation only. Players can apply to be part of the program during player evaluation day(s) conducted at the end of the season. Team selections/invitations are made shortly after player evaluations.

Teams begin practice indoors in February and go outdoors in early April. Teams practice 2/3 times a week starting in early April until the end of May. Practices are conducted at ball diamonds throughout the Pewaukee Park System.

Teams play approximately 18 weekday games (2-3 times per week) and participate in a number of weekend tournaments. The regular season begins in late May and runs until the beginning of August. Games are played on weeknights starting at 6PM. Teams play half of their games at "home" and the others on the road, with road games are played at the opposing team's home diamond. Opponents for 2006 season included Waukesha, Lannon, Merton, Sussex and Kettle Moraine.

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PARKS

PARK	ADDRESS / PHONE
Village	325 Capitol Drive Pewaukee, WI 53072 (262) 691-5688
Wagner	N31 W23320 Green Rd Pewaukee, WI 53072 (262) 691-9129
Balmer	N44 W23875 Lindsay Rd Pewaukee, WI 53072 (262) 691-3939
Liberty	Meadow Creek Road (Willow Grove Subdivision) Pewaukee, WI 53072
South	N5 W27300 Northview Rd Waukesha, WI 53188 (262) 544-9210
Springdale	W26 N22400 Oakwood Ln Waukesha, WI 53186 (262) 544-5767
Valley Forge	Morris St (North of Wis Ave & East of Hwy 16) Pewaukee, WI 53072

