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NEWSLETTER



Message from the President

What is the most important factor in all of the activities offered at Deep Run? Some may say the fields/facility. Others might say the organized structure behind the association. All these factors are important, but the single greatest aspect of Deep Run is its coaches. The men and women who dedicate time to leading the teams. October 6 was National Coaches Day, a day set aside to recognize and thank those who, no matter win or lose, can bring about a sense of accomplishment to our children through taught perseverance and unlocking ones innate ability to achieve beyond personal expectations. It is demonstrated countless times on the field. Whether it be a clutch hit or a perfect throw to the plate. It is the coach who facilitates that ability within the player. There are common traits among all the Deep Run softball coaches. A passion for the sport, an ability to motivate and nurture, to console and yet demand that a player performs to their true potential. They are emphatic and resilient, always looking forward. But most importantly they are the people you and I call friends who sacrifice countless hours of their LIVES to enrich the LIVES of others.....unselfishly. To all our Deep Run Coaches. Thank You.

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7 Deadly Spins Wrap Up

After six incredible weeks of focused training, our 7 Deadly Spins Pitching Program has officially wrapped up at Deep Run Softball! Pitchers worked hard developing movement, control, and confidence under the guidance of top instructors — and the progress was amazing to watch.



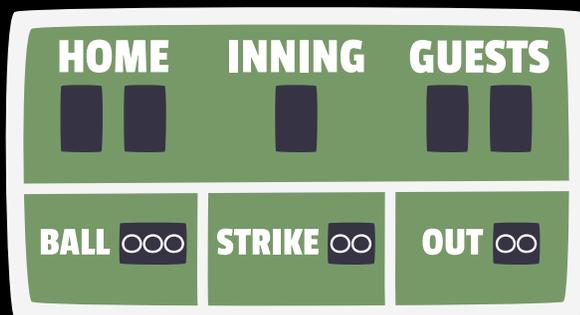
A big thank you to all the athletes who committed to improving their game each week, and to the trainers who made it happen. We can't wait to see these pitchers bring their new skills to the field!



Scoreboard Update

Deep Run Softball is excited to share that we are in the beginning stages of purchasing and phasing in a new scoreboard for Field 5. As part of this upgrade, Field 4 will receive the current scoreboard from Field 5, ensuring both fields are equipped for an improved game-day experience.

We're looking forward to enhancing our facilities for players, families, and fans — stay tuned for more updates as this project moves forward!



Winter Training

Deep Run Softball is pleased to announce that we will be offering indoor winter training sessions this season. These sessions provide players with an excellent opportunity to continue developing their skills, improve technique, and stay game-ready throughout the off-season.

Details and registration information will be shared soon — be on the lookout for sign-ups!

YOU CAN'T ALWAYS CONTROL THE CIRCUMSTANCES - ONLY HOW YOU REACT TO THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES; YOU CAN ALWAYS CONTROL YOUR ATTITUDE AND YOUR EFFORT.

— JENNIE FINCH



10U Coach Staats

4 and 1 for the season so far!



Coach Staats says, “ We have come a long way since our first practice. We are playing good softball. Improved hitting, making defensive plays, and smart base running is the reason why we are at this point! I am so proud of our players. Seeing them smile and enjoy the victories is the best!





DEEP RUN LIGHTNING FASTPITCH UPDATES

The fall season is in full swing, and our Deep Run Lightning Fastpitch teams are off to an exciting start! From strong performances on the field to continued skill development at practices and clinics, our players are showing dedication and teamwork every step of the way. In this issue, you'll find updates on recent games, upcoming training opportunities, and important reminders for the weeks ahead.

Stay connected and keep cheering on our Lightning athletes as they continue to represent Deep Run with pride, effort, and heart!

10U

This is the first fall for our 10U travel team. They have a busy schedule this fall with many scrimmages and tournaments. Most notably they will be in a Halloween tournament at Deep Run Nov 1-2. This young team has made great accomplishments over the past couple of weeks. Floyd Kratz, pitching coach, has been working with the teams pitchers. They learned proper mechanics and form in the art of fastpitch pitching. Coaches Carpenter, Domurad, and Garges have a dedicated routine of cardio, agility, and softball fundamental instructions at every practice leaving the players with smiles on their face.

Another first for Deep Run Travel is this years 11U team. With one scrimmage under their belt (a win against Plumstead!) they will be venturing into more scrimmages over the next few weeks including an under the lights game in Southampton. Many of the girls on the team have been playing with each other since 8u in the Deep Run rec program creating a close knit team that enjoys the sport of softball. Coaches Schwartz, Gottshalk, Lawhorn, and Conicelli emphasize communication among the players on the field and continually practice real time game scenarios to make playing the game second nature.

11U

12U

Coach Williams, Fabi, and Gottshalk hit the ground running this fall with many round robins and tournaments. The camaraderie among the teammates is quite evident and this trickles down to our younger travel teams. This second year team has had joint practices with our 11U team and will be in the Deep Run Halloween tournament. With a dedicated practice schedule and experiences players, this team is ready to make waves in the Spring.

The 16U Deep Run travel team recorded their first win in walk-off fashion against Valley Venom at the NEPA Halloween Havoc tournament on October 5th. The entire team contributed, with Gabby Schulz leading the way, the 13-year-old catcher having a torrid fall at the plate with a .625 BA and a 1.513 OPS. Molly Nisbet and Lucy Bartosiewicz handled the pitching duties, with Bartosiewicz throwing two innings of no hit ball.

The first year 16U team is made up mostly of players that came up through the Deep Run recreation program, with nine players that stayed together last year from the 14U travel team, creating a strong sense of community within the club. Coaches Natalie Bartosiewicz, Shane Ledyard, Mark Trotter and John Baldasari are proud of this group of ball players.

Ledyard remarked, "This is a very young team that has a long-term vision that the families and players are bought into. This team and their families care about each other very much and it shows in their play. They are always lifting one another up no matter what. It is an awesome thing to be a part of."

The team's next opponent is the Havertown Hot Shotz. They will conclude their fall season at a USSSA tournament in Jackson, NJ in November.



2ND ANNUAL HALLOWEEN HIT FEST



Come out and support our 12U Lightning Fastpitch Team for their 2nd annual Halloween Hit Fest! Costume Contest Saturday!

November 1 & 2, Deep Run Sports

ATTENTION Travel Parents!

SUBMIT



We're excited to kick off a Player Spotlight Series on our social media platforms to highlight the incredible athletes who make up our Deep Run Lightning Fastpitch family! Please submit a photo of your player (in uniform or in action!) along with player's name, jersey number, position played, and a fun fact.

You can email your submission to this email, drvsaladylightningcommish@drvsa.org, by October 24th.

CONNECT WITH US

Stay connected with Deep Run Softball on social media for the latest news, training updates, team highlights, and community events! Don't miss sign-ups, schedules, and special announcements — follow us and be part of the action all year long.

