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BEARS Softball

Bears 14U Kicks-Off the Fall Season

The 14U Bears started off the season with nail-biting games and a bang. In the first game of the season, we played California Fastpitch. Each team threw a couple runs on the board every inning. In the last inning, it was on of those games every player imagines; bases loaded, full count, two outs, and time expired. However, with our hitting, we were able to score one more run to win the game. In the second game, we played the Grapettes. The game was very close until the end.

Unfortunately, we had a long inning and the Grapettes scored a couple runs that we couldn't get back so they won the game. However, throughout the game we stayed positive, didn't give up, and kept our heads high. In the hot sun, we played our third game against RR Gold. Again, this was another very close game. In the beginning they got ahead, but with our hard work, spirit, and fight, we came back and scored many runs. With these components, we won the game, which made us win 2 out of the 3 games on Saturday. When we got back to the hotel, our team bonded when we ate pizza and went swimming together.

However, we had to get to bed early, for our eight o'clock game in the morning. We showed up at the field when the sun was still rising and warmed up. Our opponent for the morning was TC Smash. During the start of the game, TC scored a bunch of runs, but like we always do, we fought back. We gave them a run for their money when we scored so many runs that we were one run behind. We were unable to get another chance to fight for the win due to running out of time. But our lesson learned was we needed to fight earlier in the game and not wait until the last inning. We know that we played a great game. All in all, it was an outstanding way to start the season.

-Written by: Claire Gunther and Jonny Sekula

12U Bears Scrimmage Hot Shots

The Bears 12U team had its first scrimmage game last Saturday. The Bears won its first game that day. Everyone on the team got a hit. Our team made amazing plays too. The pitchers were amazing and third base rocked it. We talked about each other in the dugout and we became a great team. We learned who played best in the infield and outfield. We also worked together to beat Hot Shots.

We want to remember that we always back our friends up in the field and help them when they need it. Also, we had our practice and pictures Sunday. Everyone worked hard and took amazing photos. We worked on hitting and will beat the kids at the tournament this upcoming weekend by a landslide because we rock! We need to keep on training and working hard to be the best we can be. 1... 2... 3... GO BEARS!

-Written by: Cammy Bazan

Upcoming Tournaments:

12U – Lincoln
Tournament
September 15-16

18G – Stockton
Tournament
September 15-16

10U – Sacramento
Tournament
September 29-30

14U – Sacramento
Tournament
September 29-30

Below: 14U
Bears enjoying a
potluck and
bonding between
games!



Our 12U team is still looking for players to fill our roster. If you know of any players looking for a team, please contact Sam Rodriguez at: 925-382-8735

Deal of the Week!

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Bears 18 Gold Look Forward to Upcoming Season!

By Olivia Haney & Shannon Regan

The Bears 18 Gold team has been working hard for the past few weeks preparing for our upcoming fall tournaments. This past Sunday, we had practice as usual, but for practice, we also took team pictures! We all wore our brand new uniforms and took individual and group photos. The pictures took a while, but we still managed to fit in a very productive practice.

At the end of practice, we had time to play invisible softball *and* "backwards" softball. Invisible softball required us to get in touch with our "creative" side, as we had to imagine that Coach Mo was hitting a grounder or fly ball at us. Then, we each had to invent funny and creative ways to catch or throw the ball. The highlight of the invisible softball game was when the whole team huddled together at the pitcher's mound, shown in picture below, and pretended to be bowling pins when one of our teammates rolled the invisible ball towards us! For "backwards" softball, all batters had to swing the bat the opposite way. For example, right-handed batters had to hit left-handed, and left-handed batters had to hit right-handed. The batters then had to run 3rd base first, 2nd base second, and 1st base third before arriving at home plate to earn a run for their team. All infielders had to throw the ball with their opposite hand as well.

The Bears 18 Gold Team is excited to play in our first tournament this weekend in Stockton.

Hope to see you there. Go Bears!



Terminology Corner

Designated Player (DP)

Starting offensive player who bats in the line-up for the flex player: may play defense for any player on the field.

Flex Player

Starting defensive player for whom the DP is batting. The flex can only play defense; the flex may hit if they replace the DP in the line-up.

Catcher Duo! Get to know two catchers from our 10U's

My name is Cyana Ramirez. I interviewed Camille Lohse.

Camille has been playing softball for five years now. Camille found out about softball from her friend. When Camille started playing softball she liked it so much that she wanted to continue to play. She got told by her other friend about the Bears and she wanted to play for them, so she tried out and made the team. She likes playing for the Bears because it is challenging and fun. She has played catcher for five years. That is what Camille thinks about softball.

My name is Camille Lohse. I play for the 10u Bears softball team. I interviewed Cyana Ramirez!

Cyana the Catcher

Cyana Ramirez started playing softball 6 years ago. She did 5 years in rec ball and 2 years in travel ball. When I asked Cyana why she likes playing catcher, she said, "I like playing catcher because it's challenging." Cyana also plays 1st base and 3rd base. If she could play any position she wanted, Cyana said she'd play 2nd base and left field. Cyana doesn't play any other sports. She said that she likes softball because it's exciting and fun! Cyana and I have a lot in common. She and I both started in rec ball and then went to travel ball, we are both catchers, and we both LOVE softball!

Good Luck Coach Megan

The Bears Softball Association would like to wish Coach Megan Good Luck in the Academy. As of September 10th Coach Megan has transitioned into Recruit Schaefer at the Police Academy for the Berkeley Police Department.



Good Luck Megan!!! Please stay safe and know that you have your Bears Family cheering you on. We are proud of you.