



# OAKRIDGE OPTIMIST BASEBALL



## Registration 2012

**OPTION # 1:  
REGISTER ONLINE – BY MARCH  
15TH**

Visit our new and improved website  
at:

<http://www.oakridgebaseball.com>

For more details (Online Registration  
Powered by Sportsavvy.com).

**OPTION # 2:  
REGISTER IN PERSON**

OAKRIDGE ARENA  
OR  
SHERWOOD FOREST MALL

Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

OR

Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Please bring a completed registration form**

**OPTION # 3:  
MAIL BY MARCH 15TH**

1. **Mail in:** For the 2012 season, no registration form will be accepted if postmarked after March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012
2. Complete and verify the registration form enclosed. Must be printed & legible.
3. Identify desired level of competition, checking the appropriate box. (House League or Competitive)
4. Identify category of participation, checking the appropriate box. (Baseball or Fastball)
5. Absolutely **NO CASH**. Cheques may be post dated to March 15th, 2012.
6. Make cheques payable to: **Oakridge Optimist Baseball Association**
7. Mail to: **Oakridge Optimist Baseball Association**  
825 Valetta Street  
London, ON  
N6H 2Z2

Any Registration Questions?  
Please contact: Jodie Bradburn  
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## Oakridge Optimist Baseball

### Committee 2012:

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## 2012 Registration Fee Schedule:

The Oakridge Baseball committee has adopted a new fee schedule which includes a new early bird component as well as late component. Please make yourself aware of this new fee schedule:

Level	Before Dec. 31/11	Jan.1/12- Mar. 15/12	After March 15/12
<b>Competitive</b>	\$250.00	\$275.00	\$295.00
<b>Boys House League</b>	\$160.00	\$180.00	\$200.00
<b>Girls Fastball</b>	\$160.00	\$180.00	\$200.00
<b>Blastball</b>	\$50.00	\$60.00	N/A
<b>T-Ball</b>	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$100.00

## Competitive Surcharges:

Rookie Ball- N/A      Peewee- \$75.00  
 Mosquito- \$ 50.00      Bantam, Midget and Junior- \$100.00

## Girls House League Program (Ages 8-19)

Our Girls House League Program is designed for all girls turning 8-19 with any level of skill. The program is designed to encourage friendship, both within sports and outside of sports, to teach good sportsmanship, to provide basic ball skills (throwing, catching, hitting), all within a safe and fun environment. Teams play in and around the London area (Dorchester, Delaware) in a fast paced league called CSL (Community Softball League). Come out and join your friends and have a fun filled summer cheering on your team.

For more information contact: [Dana.Riley@oakridgebaseball.com](mailto:Dana.Riley@oakridgebaseball.com)

### Competitive vs House League:

The terms competitive or house league often confuse parents, especially if they are unfamiliar with the baseball program in Oakridge. Oakridge plays under the London District Baseball Association guidelines.

The major distinguishing characteristics are:

**COMPETITIVE:** Teams are selected, chosen on ability, from players trying out. Teams participate in leagues, including teams of comparable ability from other areas of the city and surrounding municipalities. There are approximately 2 games and 1 practice per week. Generally teams play in 3 or 4 weekend tournaments over the course of the season. Some of these tournaments may require out of town stays. This level of baseball generally requires more commitment from both the players as well as his or hers parents. The costs associated to playing at this level can be found in the registration fee schedule and surcharge area of this form. Once again this season Oakridge baseball is planning on offering the Select program at the age groups of mosquito, peewee, and bantam. For the players playing at the competitive or select level each player will keep their uniforms at season end. For further information contact Dennis Dawe at, [Dennis.Dawe@oakridgebaseball.com](mailto:Dennis.Dawe@oakridgebaseball.com)

**House League:** All registered boys and girls play regardless of ability. The primary goals are participation and to play for fun. The schedule usually consists of 1 game and 1 practice per week. Oakridge teams are balanced by ability, while taking into account player requests where at all possible. To that end Oakridge Baseball committee reserves the right to move players from one team to another to balance players abilities. Some of the boys house league and girl's fastball teams may play against surrounding community teams. The blast-ball and t-ball levels are co-ed in nature. The cost to register your child in the house league program or girl's fastball is set out in the 2012 registration section of this letter.

A description of the various types of baseball offered by Oakridge baseball is as follows:

**Blast Ball:** this teaches all five basic fundamentals of baseball... hitting, throwing, catching, running, and fielding. It is also just a ton of fun with fast and continuous action and simple rules.

**T-Ball:** Members of 2 teams take turns hitting a ball off a batting tee set on home plate. Batters try to get on base and advance to home; fielders try to prevent that from happening. The players also gain an understanding of the fundamental rules of baseball

**Rookie Ball:** This is a transition program to ready players for regular baseball. Its unique characteristics involve:

- A machine pitches 5 strikes to the batter
- 3 outs or 10 batters per ½ inning
- 10 players go to bat and play in the field each inning
- No walks are allowed
- No base stealing is permitted

**Mosquito:** This is regular baseball. The pitcher is a member of the opposing team. Three strikes and the batter is out, walks are permitted. Stealing is not permitted in house league but is permitted at the competitive level.

**Girls Fastball:** This program is offered for girls ages 8-19. Fastball rules are similar to regular baseball: 3 strikes, 4 balls with 3 outs per inning. However, there are some differences:

The ball is a bit larger than a baseball and is pitched underhand usually in a windmill fashion

- Stealing a base is permitted but runners can not lead off a base.
- The runner must remain on the base until the ball has left the pitcher's hand

For further information relating to the girl's fastball program contact Dana Riley at [Dana.Riley@oakridgebaseball.com](mailto:Dana.Riley@oakridgebaseball.com)

For further information relating to the house league program contact Mark Berry at [mark.berry@oakridgebaseball.com](mailto:mark.berry@oakridgebaseball.com)