Frequently Asked Questions:

What is included in the registration fee?

- Jersey, hat, pants (jersey & hat only for tball) (Replacement hats \$5)
- Individual and team picture
- Entry two HDBA tournaments in July & August
- Year end party for Tball

Can my child play on the same team as their friend?

- We do try to honour requests, however teams are selected with an effort to make teams as fair and equitable as possible so not all requests can be honoured. Each requests will be evaluated on a case by case basis
- Can my child move up/down an age group?
- Except for very rare occasions, children must play based on their age.

Are there Select teams?

- WMBA run select teams, rookie through midget. West Mountain hosts tournaments for rookie through midget select. Contact the select convenor for more information
- select@wmbacougars.com
- Tryout dates Check our website!

Dates to Remember

Evaluation Day: TBD

When is Photo Day? June 1, 2024

Umpire Clinic

For those from ages 12 up. Please contact umpire@wmbacougars.com

WMBA Annual Golf Tournament

TBD - Contact president@wmbacougars.com for more information

Park Championship Day

September 7 & 8, 2024



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When does the season start?

Midget – Week of May 13th Rookie to Bantam – week of May 20th Tball – June 4th (dates are pending weather & permits)

Championship Day – September 7 & 8, 2024

What nights do we play?

Tball – Tuesday (Rally Cap), Thursday (Games)

Rookie (U9) – Tuesday (Rally Cap), Monday/Thursday (Games)

Mosquito (U11) - Monday/Wednesday

Peewee (U13) – Tuesday/Thursday Bantam (U15) – Monday to Thursday

Midget (U18) - Monday to Thursday

All home games are played out Wm. McCulloch Park and Olympic Park. WMBA interlocks with other HDBA parks and some road games will be at played at other parks.

What is Rally Cap?

Rally Cap is a Long Term Athletic Development (LTAD) program initiated by Baseball Canada. The Rally Cap Program is an initiative to enhance players' and coaches' first experience with the game. The program helps teams teach players the five FUNdamentals of baseball in a fun and safe environment. Players have the opportunity to perform different tasks in order to earn a colored Baseball Canada Rally Cap. Cap colours correspond with various levels of achievement. The program is designed for young baseball players.

WMBA Program

- To foster, promote and teach the game of baseball to the participants that register
- To teach good Sportsmanship and Fair Play to its participants
- To ensure that the welfare of the child (player) is of the utmost importance in all decisions
- To promote activities, athletic and social, that contribute to the well-being of WMBA participants.

Tball (Age 4.5 to 6)

- Start teaching the basics of the game: throwing, batting, running base
- Two innings are played where every player bats and plays. No score is kept
- Players will need their own glove, helmet, pants and running shoes/cleats

U9 - Rookie (Age 7 to 9)

- Uses a pitching machine as the pitcher to introduce the batter to the pitched ball in a controlled environment
- "Stepping stone" between tball and baseball
- Players will need their own glove, helmet, protective cup, running shoes/cleats

<u>U11 - Mosquito (Age 10 & 11)</u>

- Normal baseball rules apply with the following exceptions: no lead offs, no balks, no infield fly
- Players will need their own glove, helmet, protective cup, running shoes/cleats

<u>U13 - Peewee (Age 12 & 13) / U15 -</u> <u>Bantam (Age 14 & 15) / U18 - Midget</u> (Age 16 to 18)

- Normal baseball rules apply
- Players will need their own glove, helmet, protective cup, running shoes/cleats

Tournament Dates

Rookie through Midget participate in two tournaments in the summer.

HDBA Midsummer Classic

Division	Date	Host Park
9U	July 8-14	Dofasco/WM
11U	July 15-21	Mahoney
13U	July 8-14	Alexander
15U	July 15-21	West Mtn.
18U	July 8-14	East Mtn.

HDBA City Championships

Division	Date	Host Park
9U	Aug 12-18	Dofasco/WM
11U	Aug 19-25	West Mtn.
13U	Aug 12-18	Alexander
15U	Aug 19-25	Mahoney/WM
18U	Aug 6-11	East Mtn.



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