

SALEM

RECREATION CONNECTION

PARKS & RECREATION

MAY 2009

Inside this Issue:

- Spring Sports Updates
- Dixie Baseball & RAYSA Tournaments
- Dates to Remember
- Pitch, Hit & Run Competition Results
- Summer Sports Clinics
- Fall Sports Registration
- NCAA Tournaments

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed. - *Michael Jordan*

Spring Sports Update

Well spring is here and that means baseball, softball and soccer seasons are in full swing. Unfortunately this week that means rain as well. As I'm sure you're well aware of, most of the games this week have been postponed due all the wet weather. We've been busy trying to get everything rescheduled and posted on our website, so please check your teams master schedule for the latest updates. As a reminder, in case there is inclement weather, we will update the weather information hotline daily (375-4094, ext. 6) by 3:30pm. Due to the large volume of calls that come in, you may have to try several times before you get through. We apologize for the this inconvenience, and hope in the future to have a better system in place to accommodate this problem. Please note that if you are unable to get through on the phone, you may also check the daily game status on our website. This will also be updated daily by 3:30pm.

Dixie Baseball & RAYSA Tournaments

Below is a complete list of dates and locations for all youth baseball and softball post season tournament play for this year. Brackets won't be completed until closer to the tournament start dates.

League	Tournament	Start Date	Location
Dixie Minor	Sub-District	June 26	Glenvar, VA Bedford City, VA Bedford County, VA
Dixie Minor	District	July 3	Salem, VA
Dixie Minor	State	July 10	Charlotte Co., VA
Dixie O-Zone	District	July 3	Salem, VA
Dixie O-Zone	State	July 17	Radford, VA
Dixie Boys	District	June 26	Salem, VA

DID YOU KNOW

Dixie Boys	State	July 17	South Boston, VA
RAYSA Softball	All Ages	June 22	Salem, VA

Spring Sports Dates to Remember

May 18	Fall Sports Registrations Begin
May 30	Dixie Youth/RAVSA Softball Night
June 1	Deadline to Register for Summer Youth Sports Clinics
June 22	RAYSA Softball Tournament (Moyer)
June 26	Dixie Minor Sub-Districts Begin
July 3	Dixie O-Zone District Tournament Begins (Moyer)

SPORTS OFFICE

925 Union Street
Salem, VA 24153
(P) 375-4094 (F) 375-4032

Cancellation Line:
375-4094 ext. 6

Check daily game status at:
www.salemva.gov

MLB Pitch, Hit & Run Competition

On April 26th the City of Salem Sports Office conducted a local qualifier for the MLB Pitch, Hit and Run Competition at the Moyer Sports Complex. Thirty three participants challenged themselves in three different events, with the winners advancing to the sectional competition that will take place on Saturday, May 16 at Lewis Gale Field (Home of the Red Sox). Thanks to everyone that came out and good luck to those competing next week.

2009 Pitch, Hit and Run Results

Age Division	All Around Champion	Pitch Champion	Hit Champion	Run Champion
7/8	Zac Honaker	Zac Honaker	Zac Honaker	Zac Honaker
9/10	Joshua Atkins	Joshua Atkins Jared Martin (Tie)	Joshua Atkins	Joshua Atkins
11/12	Tyler Close	Tyler Close	Kenneth McCauley	Tyler Close
13/14	Andrew Close	Andrew Close	Andrew Close	Andrew Close

Dixie Youth/RAVSA Night with the [Red Sox](#)

Dixie Youth Baseball and RAYSA Softball Night with the Salem Red Sox is scheduled for Saturday, May 30, 2009 at Lewis Gale Field. Teams will take place in an on field parade prior to the game and should come dressed in their team uniform. All players, coaches and immediate family members will be admitted FREE of charge and should plan to arrive no later than 4:45 p.m. at the gate next to the Civic Center West baseball field. Game time is scheduled for 6:07 pm.



Summer Youth Sports Clinics

The City of Salem Parks & Recreation Department will once again be offering free youth sports clinics beginning in June. To be eligible, participants must be either a resident of the City of Salem or be currently enrolled in a City of Salem school. There are certain age guidelines and restrictions, and participants are encouraged to pre-register. To complete an online registration form please click the link below. For more information please email [Kathy Murphy](#) or [Kris-ten Finley](#). [Sports Clinic Registration Form](#)

Fall Sports Registration

Online registrations for our fall youth sports leagues will begin on Monday, May 18 and run until Friday, June 26. Participants must be

NEXT MONTHS ISSUE

- Spring Sports Updates
- Youth Baseball / Softball All-Star Information
- Dates to Remember
- New Recreation Software Update

WORTH A LOOK

The fastest soccer goal ever scored in a match according to the Guinness Book of World Records is 2.5 seconds. This amazing feat was done on April 4, 2004 by Marc Burrows in an amateur league match in London, England.

BOOSTER CLUB INFO.

East Salem Booster Club

President: Brian Bowles

Phone: (540) 375-7333

Cost to join club: \$10 per yr.

Club meetings are held on the 1st Sunday of each month at 6p at the Salem Sports Office.

North Salem Booster Club

President: John Bayne

Phone: (540) 389-2001

Cost to join club: \$10 per yr.

Club meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 4p at the City of Salem P&R Main Office.

South Salem Booster Club

President: Mike Jones

Phone: (540) 375-2860

Cost to join club: \$10 per yr.

Club meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 7p at the Salem P&R Main Office.

West Salem Booster Club

President: Randy Peregoy

Phone: (540) 389-6508

Cost to join club: \$10 per yr.

Club meetings are held quarterly.

Booster Clubs are comprised of Elementary School zones. The school your son or daughter attends represents your designated club. For more information on becoming involved in a Booster Club please call one of the numbers listed above.

Monday, May 18 and run until Friday, June 26. Participants must be at least six by the designated cut-off date and either be a resident of the City of Salem or currently attending a City of Salem school to be eligible to play. Practices will begin in August, with games starting in most leagues the first week in September.

League	Ages	Participation Fee
Cheerleading	6-13	Free
Football	6-13	\$35.00
Girls Soccer	6-15	Free
Boys Soccer	13-15	Free

NCAA Championships Coming To Salem

The next couple of weeks will be a busy time for us at the Parks and Recreation Department as the City of Salem along with the Old Dominion Athletic Conference will once again play host to several NCAA Championships over the next few weeks.

Women's Lacrosse - On May 16-17, the Division II and III Women's Lacrosse Championships will be played at Donald J. Kerr Field on the campus of Roanoke College. Action will get started on that Saturday beginning at 11:00 a.m., with four games scheduled throughout the day. Winners will advance to play in the televised championship games scheduled on Sunday at 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Both championship games can be seen on the CBS College Sports network.

Women's Softball - On May 21-25, the Division II Women's Softball Championships will be played at the Moyer Sports Complex. Eight of the best teams from around the country will once again fight it out on the field to see who will emerge as the 2009 National Champion. Play will begin on Thursday at 12:00 p.m., and will conclude with the Championship game scheduled for Monday, May 25th at 3:00 p.m. The Championship game can be seen on the CBS College Sports network.

For more information or to purchase tickets please click on the following websites.

[Women's Lacrosse](#)

[Women's Softball](#)

Please do not respond to this email.

To remove your name from our mailing list, [please click here.](#)

Questions or comments? Email shall@salemva.gov or call (540) 375-4094.