

IDAHO STATE BABE RUTH BASEBALL

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION



TO: Tournaments Participants and Team Managers

FROM: John Labbe, Tournament Director

RE: 2009 State Babe Ruth 14 Year Old Tournament
2009 State Babe Ruth 15 Year Old Tournament

DATE: July 8, 2009

TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS & TEAM MANAGERS:

On behalf of Meridian Youth Baseball, I welcome you to Meridian, Idaho for the 2009 Idaho State Babe Ruth State Tournament. We are looking forward to hosting you, your players, your families, and other supporters. The tournament will take place July 22-25 at Settler's Park in Meridian. Opening Ceremonies will begin at 5:00 p.m. on July 22, and pool play will begin on Thursday, July 23.

The following **Tournament Information** will help you prepare for the Tournament. The packet was put together to help in setting forth important information and requirements. Please provide copies of this packet to all members of your team, as well as their parents.

In order to run an organized and successful Tournament, we need your cooperation and support. In that regard, there are several items that we will need from you prior to your arrival at the Tournament. Please send the following items electronically in a tiff or jpeg format to Assistant Tournament Director, Nancy Labbe at nnjlabbe@msn.com. **One 5 x 7 or 8 x 10 team photograph with identification of all players and coaches; Team Roster, including uniform numbers and player identification. We need to have this information in Nancy's hands no later than Wednesday, July 15.** Please identify in the subject line on your computer email what you are sending. These items do not take the place of the information that will need to be included with your official tournament documents. Included with the roster **MUST** be each player's t-shirt size, i.e. Adult Small, etc.

Check-In/Managers/Umpires Meeting:

Check-In will take place at Settler's Park on Wednesday, July 22nd at 5:00 PM. Opening ceremonies will begin at 6:00 PM. All players and coaches **MUST** be at the opening ceremonies ***in FULL UNIFORM***. No shorts, jeans, or sweats will be allowed. We will provide a picnic for players and coaches beginning at 7:00 PM, there will be a nominal charge for all other participants. At 8:00 PM there will be a mandatory Manager's meeting with tournament officials and the umpire-in-chief. Each team **must** have a representative (Manager or Coach) present at the meeting. The meeting will primarily be for interpretation and discussion of rules and ground rules with the umpire-in-chief and Tournament Officials. Tournament officials will also use this time to check in your Official Document Book to insure all of the required information is included.

Required documents are as follows:

- Birth documents for each player as specified by Rule 0.04, paragraph 1
- Copy of league accident and liability insurance policy
- Tournament team roster certified and signed by league president
- Letter of League Eligibility Tournament Form signed by State Commissioner
- Consent for Treatment form
- Coaching certification verification for ALL managers and coaches.
- Check payable to Meridian Youth Baseball for \$500.00

➔ Please note that official Babe Ruth patches must be worn on the upper left sleeve of all players, coaches & managers.

Practice Field:

Practice fields, times, and locations will be assigned to all teams at the coaches meeting Wednesday night. Coaches may reserve a practice time before that time by making a request via e-mail to the tournament director. Teams must bring their own gear.

Miscellaneous:

A listing of available lodging is included on the league web site, which is mybbaseball.com.

No outside coolers will be allowed in the park. Programs, souvenir t-shirts and concessions including hot dogs, hamburgers, cold drinks, nachos and other miscellaneous items will be available throughout the tournament.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORY

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Tournament Headquarters:
Settler's Park

Tournament Website
www.mybftournaments.com

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS–PLAYER INSTRUCTION

The State Officials of the Idaho Babe Ruth Baseball and the hard working Hosts of this Babe Ruth State Tournament have made extensive efforts to make certain your stay in Meridian will be pleasant and rewarding. Therefore, we shall expect all Tournament participants to fully cooperate with the following rules and regulations pertaining to your personal conduct during your stay.

Conduct:

Your conduct must be above reproach on and off the field. Any misbehavior or misconduct could not only cause your disqualification from the Tournament but could disqualify your team as well.

LODGING INFORMATION

Suitable lodging can be found on our web site at mybbbaseball.com. Be sure to mention that you are with a tournament for special group rates.

TOURNAMENT TICKET INFORMATION

The ticket booth will open (1) hour prior to the first game each day. Ticket prices are based on a carefully planned budget only to cover the cost of the Tournament. Ticket pricing information is as follows:

Tournament Passes (good for the entire tournament):

Each participating team is required to pay a \$500 entry fee. Checks should be made out to Meridian Youth Baseball. With this each rostered player will receive a tournament family pass, a tournament T-Shirt, and a program. All other fans and relatives will be charged an entry fee for the tournament at the following rates:

Family: (admits 4)	\$50
Children 5 and under	Free

Day Pass (good for 1 entire day only, on day of purchase)

Single Adult	\$7
Seniors (60 and over)	\$4
Students (6-18)	\$4
Children 5 and under	Free

Team members will be issued a Tournament Pass that will allow entry into the Tournament. Picture identification may also be required. **You must have the pass with you at all times.**

General information

Tournament T-shirts will be available to purchase at the ticket booth on a daily basis. Cost of the T-Shirts will be \$15.00. T-Shirts sell out over the first few days of the Tournament, so if you would like to purchase one, we suggest you purchase it early.

The winner of this tournament will advance to the Babe Ruth Regional Tournament.

Miscellaneous note to Managers: Please note that there will be no use of EH/DH, and there will be no Courtesy Runners. Also, a coin flip will decide the home and visitor for each game.

There will be a concessions stand in operation throughout the tournament. They offer hot dogs, hamburgers, cold drinks, candy, cheese nachos, etc.

Water will be provided to each dugout before each game for the players and coaches to use during the game.

Programs will also be available for a nominal charge at the ticket booth.

Scores from each game will be posted soon after the game is finished at the concession stand

Directions to Settler's Park:

1. Take the **Meridian Exit 44 North off I-84.**
2. Follow Main Street into town, go approximately 1.8 miles North to Cherry Lane.
3. Turn Left on **Cherry Lane** – go one block to Meridian Road.
4. Turn Right (North) on Meridian Road. Continue 1 mile North to Ustick Road.
5. Arrive at the corner of Ustick and Meridian Road, turn Left (West), go .2 miles to the entry of the Leighton Family Baseball Complex.