



# PPRSSA 2025



Survey Results

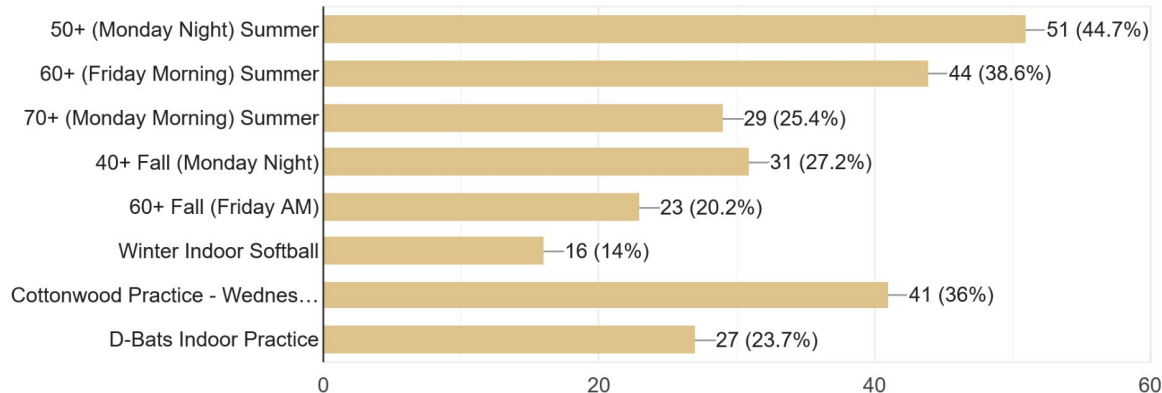
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- 114 Total Responses (37%)
  - 0+ over last year
- 55% Anonymous

Which PPRSSA activities did you participate in? (check all that apply)

114 responses

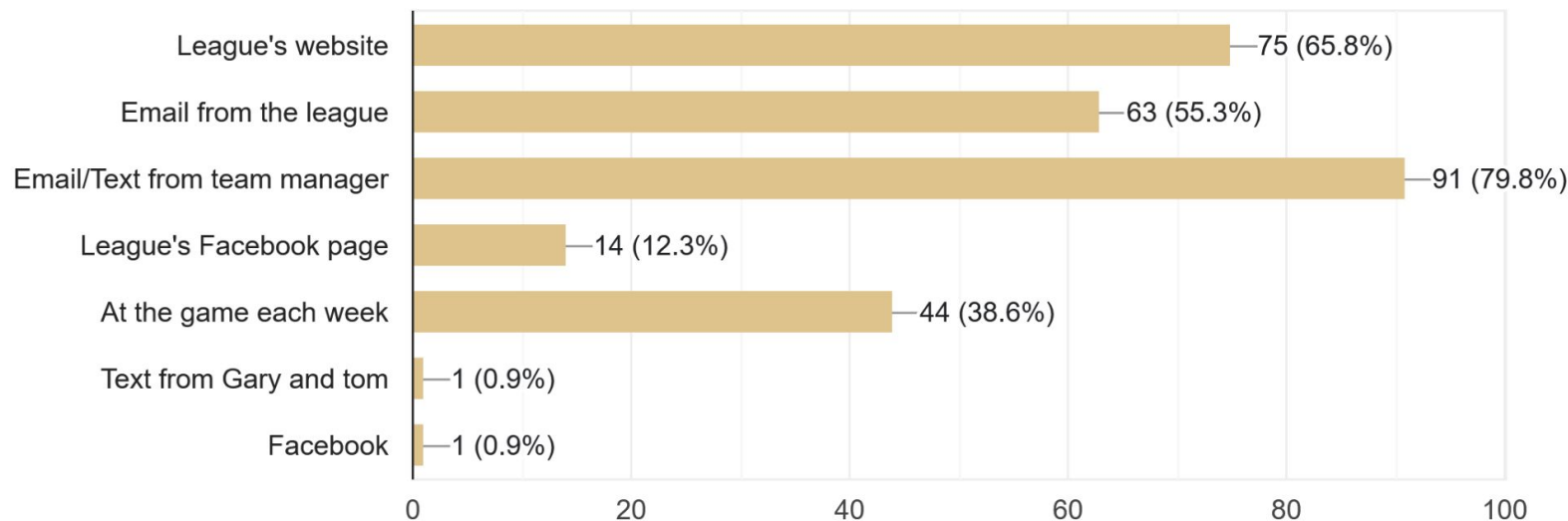


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How do you get updates about our league and your team? (check all that apply)

114 responses



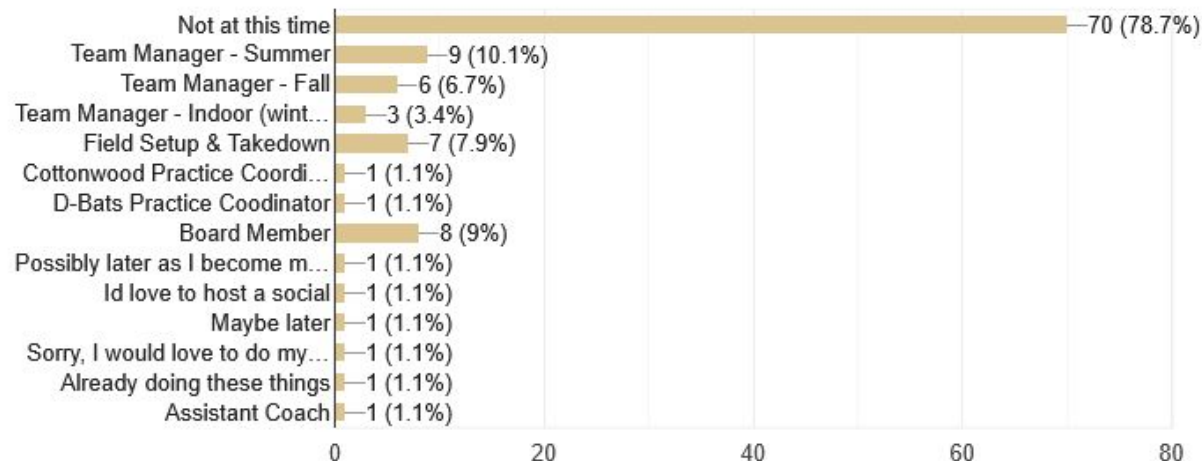
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Our league is 100% volunteer-run, and we can't do it without you! If you'd like to give back to the game and help keep things running smoothly, please consider volunteering as a coach, assistant coach, field set-up helper, Cottonwood practice field volunteer, or even a board member. If yes to any, please make sure you provide an email address in last question. (check all that apply)



89 responses



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## Volunteers

- Field Setup & Takedown, Board Member, **Gary Cunninghame** - 50S, 40F, CW, DBAT
- Team Manager - Summer, Team Manager - Fall, **Jacob Condon** - 40F
- Field Setup & Takedown, **Anonymous** - 70S
- Team Manager - Summer, Team Manager - Fall, Team Manager - Indoor , **Howard Salob** - 50S, 40F, Winter
- Team Manager - Fall, Board Member, **Don Gerrish** - 50S, 60S, 40F, 60F
- Team Manager - Summer, Field Setup & Takedown, **Ken Davis** - 50S, 60S, Winter, CW, DBAT
- Team Manager - Summer, Team Manager - Fall, Board Member, **Tom Breck** - 50S, 40F, Winter, CW, DBAT
- Board Member, **Mike Reynolds** - 50S, 60S, 70S, 40F, 60F, Winter, CW, DBAT
- Board Member, **Terry McMullen** - 70S, CW, DBAT
- Board Member, **Steve Everson** - 60S, 70S, 60F, CW, DBAT
- Field Setup & Takedown, **Anonymous** - 70S
- Assistant Coach, **Alex Johnson** -,60S
- Team Manager - Summer, Team Manager - Fall, **Anonymous** - 40F
- Team Manager - Summer, **Jason Roshek** - 50S
- Team Manager - Indoor (winter), Field Setup & Takedown, I'd love to host a social, **Jana Gainok** - 50S, 60S, 40F, 60F, Winter
- Field Setup & Takedown, **Anonymous** - 70S, 60F, CW, DBAT
- Team Manager - Summer, Team Manager - Fall, Team Manager - Indoor (winter), Board Member, **Eric Temmert** - 50S, CW, DBAT
- Team Manager - Summer, **Joe Slattery** - 60S, 70S, Winter, CW, DBAT
- Team Manager - Summer, Field Setup & Takedown, Cottonwood Coordinator, D-Bats, Board, **Joe Ribeiro** - 50S, 60S, CW, DBAT
- I would consider being an assistant coach during the summer or fall leagues. **Kim Finkbeiner** - 60S, 70S, 60F, CW

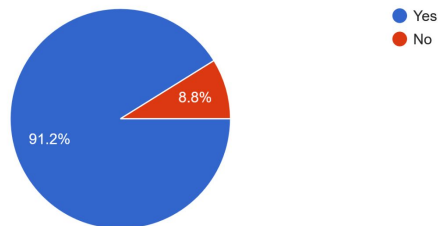


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Are you likely to play in our league in 2026?

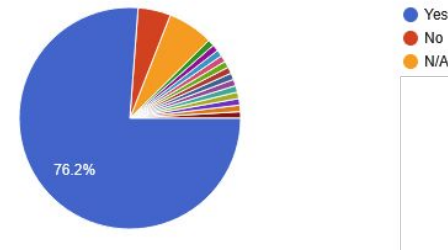
113 responses



- I'm 73 my health has to crap - **70**
- Team MGR should be supportive with player position suggestion and not have power trip. Stop rotating position every inning or game. - **50S**
- I found out about the league too late to be on a team. I registered as an alternate and came to most practices. I didn't have a bat so taking swings wasn't an option. I tried to talk to other players but they were more comfortable with their friends and teammates. I enjoyed watching the games. I did notice that teams would rather share players than ask an alternate to play. I will continue to watch the games and will likely sign up as an alternate again in the Spring. **(Anonymous)**
- The feedback is that I write down what position that I would like to play and it never happens then I end up on the bench more than not. Very frustrating so I won't be coming back to play - **50S**

Were the end of summer season (shirts) and tournament (hats) prizes good rewards?

105 responses



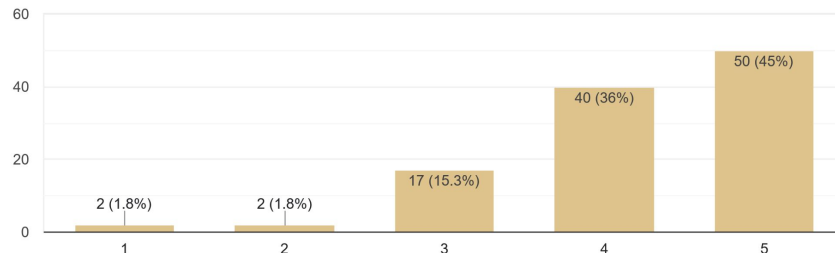
- Gift cards
- Didn't win any
- Didn't like the "transfer" graphics on shirts
- No Fall prizes?
- Prefer gift cards
- They are good, braggings rights are better
- Print names on the back and hand out at a softball party

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Do feel there was a competitive balance across the teams in your league? (1=No, 5=Yes)

111 responses



4.2 Stars



- I highly approve of the draft and being able to play with different people rather than having stacked teams every year. - **60S, 60F**
- Balance out the 40 year olds between more teams when you open the league to them. - **50S, 60S, 40F, 60F**
- League needs to help "some" coaches when picking players. - **60S, 70S**
- I do feel the new men that are 40 coming in need to be spread out evenly amongst the teams. - **40F**
- More balance with the teams (competitively speaking). - **60S, 70S, 60F**
- The summer league I thought for the most part, the teams were equal and everyone had a chance to win on any given night. The fall felt the exact opposite. There was no doubt who I thought was going to win the fall league. One team seemed to get every good player in the draft, especially the 40 year olds. - **50S, 40F**
- To be even more competitive or evenly balanced have the managers pick a higher-ranking player each time they get to go. Or let Gary and his computer program to pick the teams and from there then make trades afterwards - **50S, 40F**
- The draft should be done by computer instead of coaches so teams aren't stacked. - **50S, 40F, Winter**

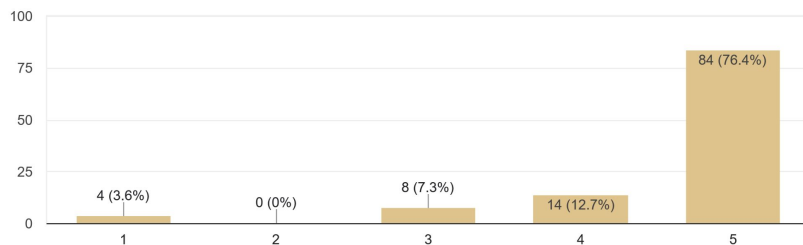
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Do you feel your team manager treated all players fairly and gave everyone equal playing time?

(1=No, 5=Yes)

110 responses



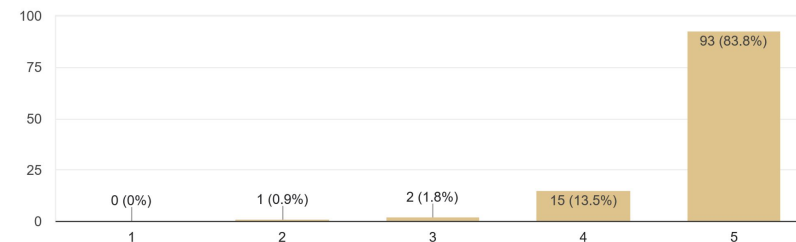
- 60's teams were big and we often had 3 people sitting out, I was always asked to be one of them so only played half as much as I thought I would. - **50S, 60S**

4.6 Stars



Do you feel you get good value for the fees you pay to play in PPRSSA? 1=Poor value, 5 = Great value

111 responses



- The "2" came from an unhappy 50+ player who indicated they would not be returning

4.8 Stars





# 2025 Survey Results - Highlights

Please share any highlights of the league or your favorite part of the league in 2025.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It's just good spending time with a great group of people. Games are fun.</li><li>• Relaxed</li><li>• It was a very fun league!</li><li>• Great bunch of people and the league was ran efficiently.</li><li>• Always a good time. The League has come a long way.</li><li>• Just like getting out every Monday night and seeing everyone.</li><li>• I enjoyed the camaraderie. Made some good friends. Was a really good bunch of people on the team.</li><li>• How everyone was getting along.</li><li>• Mike Reynolds did a really nice job being our manager.</li><li>• In both leagues, overall, I feel most everything went smoothly with only minimal arguments and issues. Usually, attention to the rules took care of issues.</li><li>• I felt very welcomed and am happy to be amongst my "people" once again.</li><li>• I enjoy playing ball with the other participants.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Most players and coaches were having fun.</li><li>• This was my first season playing here. It was fun. Competitive. Everyone was friendly and made my transition here easier.</li><li>• It was fun playing - both managers were supportive and did a good job</li><li>• Comradery</li><li>• "My first year and enjoyed the cohesiveness</li><li>• Of both my team and organization of the league."</li><li>• Favorite part is the community of players and how well everyone seems to get along. Makes for a really good experience playing.</li><li>• Friendship</li><li>• I really enjoyed the Friday morning league; it was my first year playing over 60.</li><li>• Favorite; 60+ playing National Anthem every week. 40+ fall league, playing with 40+ players.</li><li>• We have a great group of guys to play with.</li></ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Being around the other players before, during and after the games</li><li>• Team Camaraderie</li><li>• Being able to play as a 41 year old</li><li>• Fun leagues</li><li>• Didn't play</li><li>• great bunch players, and friendships that will last for years to come.</li><li>• Just the play.</li><li>• awesome community, love the people</li><li>• Great camaraderie.</li><li>• Fun banter between teams</li><li>• Great camaraderie on our team! And with players on the other teams. One of the best parts of this league is the nice balance of competitiveness and friendliness.</li><li>• Playing at Cottonwood</li><li>• Friendly atmosphere</li><li>• awesome community of folks</li><li>• I like all of it</li><li>• I turned assistant coach</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I love mixing it up. I highly approve of the draft and being able to play with different people rather than having stacked teams every year. You meet new people and it makes it much more fun because you're playing against people that you had played with before.</li><li>• Team was encouraging without egos getting in the way.</li><li>• Using the 200-foot line in the outfield for both 60s and 70s made the games more competitive</li><li>• Favorite part was being able to get out and get some swings with people I enjoy being around</li><li>• Dave was a great coach. I left a little better at the end of the season.</li><li>• Getting to know people and getting some exercise. It's been fun.</li><li>• 95 percent good sportsmanship, just a couple of jerks :-)</li><li>• Cottonwood park is the perfect place for practice. Very nice fields.</li><li>• Was just fun</li></ul> |
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# 2025 Survey Results - Changes

Please share any changes you would recommend to make our league better in 2026.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>eliminate required 200 ft line for men. change sub rule - no sub unless you forfeit your game, then allow sub to play so teams don't miss out (but the team without enough players does forfeit the win). have consistent rules in fall. applying rules not in rule book causes concern and arguments, disrupting games. if rules are different in fall, clearly and completely share that with all managers and players.- <b>50S, 40F, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>Make the weekday leagues 50+. I know that there wouldn't be a lot of participation, but I would love to play more days. - <b>50S, 40F</b></li> <li>Over 40 league, even if it's a 5 v 5 v 5 league- <b>40F</b></li> <li>1:10 time limit on games unless there is a tie. - <b>60S, CW</b></li> <li>Time limit. After one hour the next inning is unlimited. - <b>50S, 40F</b></li> <li>Rule book given to each MGR. to be able to enforce play calls. - <b>50S</b></li> <li>Balance out the 40 year olds between more teams when you open the league to them - <b>50S, 60S, 40F, 60F, CW</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Try to put as many people on the field as possible. So I'm talking about the rover. It's no fun sitting on the bench. And it's harder on the manager to try to find people who want to sit out or are willing to play another position that they're not scheduled for. Maybe in the bylines it could be stated that yes you put your two top positions but please don't sulk if based on other players talents that you may be asked to play a position you didn't put down or are comfortable with. Obviously you don't want to put a person in position that they cannot handle themselves defensively well. On the fall team when I was not coaching one player was kind of upset that they could not play anywhere besides being put a catcher. This person obviously was much better than just being stuck behind the plate. I was much happy to volunteer and catch the whole game so this person can go out in the field. It doesn't matter to me as long as we have fun have the camaraderie and obviously try to do the best as we can. Have a pitching camp some more people can learn to pitch - <b>50S, 40F, Winter</b></li> <li>Maybe trying to have umpires during the games. There were a few "discussions" during the games. Arguing over calls. - <b>50S</b></li> <li>League needs to help "some" coaches when picking players - <b>60S, 70S</b></li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The umpiring part of the league is frustrating at times. It seems like the calls often favor the team making the calls. There's too many times when arguments result. It also seems that many people don't really know the rules. Would it be possible to put together a one-day umpire clinic? - <b>60S, 60F</b></li> <li>• An updated score keeping sign that has the inning on it. Also, some form of counter to put near the scoreboard that can track home runs so we're not going off of memory - <b>50S, 40F, CW</b></li> <li>• Team MGR should be supportive with player position suggestion and not have power trip. Stop rotating position every inning or game. - <b>50S, CW</b></li> <li>• Fall 40+, rover gets to play anywhere for all players if a rover is used again. - <b>50S, 60S, 40F, 60F</b></li> <li>• Do it all year well not during winter - <b>40F</b></li> <li>• I liked the EOS (summer) 60's BBQ (org by Ed), hope it continues in 2026. - <b>50S, 60S, Winter, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• We take care of the old, invalid men by staying at the 200 ft line. It is not enough for the women. Bring forward a no-shift policy for the women. Mid-fielder (rover) must stay in the in-field and within 5 feet of 2nd base. - <b>60S, 60F</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Something to speed the evening up a bit. Over 3 hours for 2 games is tough. Also, play a different team for the 2nd game of the evening - <b>40F</b></li> <li>• Get some new scoreboards - <b>50S, 40F, Winter, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• need to address excessive speed pitches, and address that only catcher and the two coaches can call illegal pitch (to high) and that it needs to be called before it lands - we had a case where the runner on 2nd base called it or people on the bench. - <b>50S, 60S, 70S, 40F, 60F, Winter, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• A positive statement that all players get to play equally regardless of the possibility of substitutes and sit outs - of course such only occurs when there are more than 11 players and also of course an unenforceable goal. - <b>70S</b></li> <li>• Keep falling 50+, not 40+. - <b>40F</b></li> <li>• If it's possible to have enough teams for the Fall League and keep it at 50+, that would be my preference. - <b>50S, 40F</b></li> <li>• Personally, I wish there were some opportunities to play more with my travel teammates. That may be a little selfish but, I wish that was an option. - <b>60S</b></li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The only suggestion I would have is for the fall league, we switched from 2 weeks at 9:00 to a few weeks at 10:30. Why don't we just start at 10:00 for the entire fall season. - <b>60S, 60F</b></li> <li>• Play all games, all leagues, @ Cottonwood - <b>70S, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• Would be great to have an umpire. - <b>60S</b></li> <li>• Excessive subbing for runners, especially in latter innings. - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• Umpires. - <b>60S, 40F, Winter</b></li> <li>• I would get rid of the ability to have a rover when one team only has 10. If you have to provide them a catcher, it isn't fair. - <b>50S, 40F, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• Since it's dangerous to slide, I suggest going back to the 'run by' rule. - <b>70S</b></li> <li>• Expand the 70+ to 6 teams by lowering to 68+ - <b>60S, 40F, 60F, CW</b></li> <li>• Keep 40 year olds males out of the fall league. - <b>50S, 40F</b></li> <li>• I didn't enjoy Fall as much, with &lt; 50 allowed who tended to be very good player. With the disparity of talent and the women in the league, there is a much higher risk of injury. - <b>50S</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The fall season should be 6 innings. - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• Penalty for teams without enough players. Sometimes it's beneficial to play 9 since the other team fills in a defensive player and teams can get into a groove only batting 9. Maybe need an auto out for the 10 spot - <b>50S, 40F, CW</b></li> <li>• I do feel the new men that are 40 coming in need to be spread out evenly amongst the teams, - <b>40F</b></li> <li>• Maybe an 1:15 minutes time limit - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• Update the rules to prevent confusion - <b>50S, 40F</b></li> <li>• 55 or 1 hour games, working scoreboard and have an ump. - <b>50S, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• Limit game time to 1hr and when the hour hits, finish the open inning next - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• Please add to the new player signup questions. WHAT IS YOUR MOST RECENT SOFTBALL HISTORY? It will give us a better idea about new players. - <b>60S, 70S, 60F, CW</b></li> <li>• More balance with the teams (competitively speaking). - <b>60S, 70S, 60F, CW</b></li> <li>• Teach the base coaches and catcher umpiring rules. Cut back on pinch running per inning to 1-2. - <b>50S, CW</b></li> </ul> |
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- "While we celebrated many highlights—such as close games, improved batting averages, and memorable defensive plays—there were also areas where we could further enhance our overall performance and enjoyment. One recurring observation was the need for sharper infield execution, especially during early innings when players were still settling in. Recommendation: Integrating Infield Practice into Pre-Game Workouts To address this and help every player start at their best, I recommend incorporating a focused infield practice segment into our existing pre-game batting practice routines. Currently, the warm-ups emphasize batting and general fielding, but dedicated infield drills could make a significant difference in readiness and confidence.
  1. Short Infield Drills: Before batting practice, allocate 10–15 minutes for infielders to work on ground balls, quick throws, and double-play scenarios. This will help sharpen reaction times and reinforce proper fielding techniques.
  2. Position-Specific Practice: Rotate players through their regular infield positions to simulate game situations, focusing on communication and coordinated plays.
  3. Transition to Batting: Once infield practice is complete, transition to batting and outfield drills as usual. This sequence ensures that all areas are addressed, and players are warmed up for every aspect of the game. - **70S**
- Better guidelines for 1st and 3rd coached that aren't paying attention on call that are their responsibility - **50S, 40F, CW**
- The draft should be done by computer instead of coaches so teams aren't stacked. - **50S, 40F, Winter, CW, DBAT**
- Have a rover if both teams have enough players to field one. This will help for a lot of reasons: 1 less player bored on the bench, lower scoring -> finish earlier, more strategy = more fun. - **50S**
- Better lights at Skyview. - **50S, 60S, CW, DBAT**
- Keep the fall league limited to 50+ - **40F**
- "60's teams were big and we often had 3 people sitting out, I was always asked to be one of them so only played half as much as I thought I would - **60S**
- I would love to be able to play indoor if it was possible to have an indoor league after hours for those of us who work." - **50S, 60S**
- We won the tourney but didn't get no prize. - **50S, 40F**
- No walks, make the batter swing - **50S**

# 2025 Survey Results - Feedback

## Any additional feedback you would like to share?

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• can we launch a 40+ league in 2026 summer? Monday nights, since a lot of 40-50 year olds play on rec league teams on other nights. - <b>50S, 40F, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• I'm disappointed I won't participate in winter, but am looking forward to spring - <b>60F, CW</b></li> <li>• The league is very good as it is. - <b>60S, Winter</b></li> <li>• I did not like the addition of 40+ players - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• Remind everyone that this is just for fun. That arguing and poor sportsmanship takes away from the enjoyment of the game. - <b>50S, 40F</b></li> <li>• I just want to acknowledge all the great things going on with the league, Joe, Gary, tom and many others have made this a great league to play in. Keep up the good work! and thank you. - <b>50S, 60S</b></li> <li>• I like that we had the question last year about availability. Obviously injuries happen but if you know a person's going to be out for 1/3 to 1/2 of the year you might not draft them as high. - <b>50S, 40F, Winter</b></li> <li>• I am on the board but I feel the board works very well for the seniors playing in the various leagues. - <b>60S, 70S</b></li> <li>• Great league - <b>40F</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is definitely one of the best leagues I've ever played. It's well managed. Great players. Very positive experience - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• Thanks to Joe and the others for your efforts to make this league happen. - <b>60S, 60F</b></li> <li>• Gary Cunningham does a fantastic job with web page and updates. - <b>60S, 70S, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• Excellent manager. - <b>70S</b></li> <li>• Maybe look at capping runs in an open inning for the visiting team? Not sure how that would work, but can get ugly sometimes. - <b>50S, 40F, CW</b></li> <li>• Maybe some training for team manager. Wasn't fun playing! - <b>50S, CW</b></li> <li>• Board members and league coordinators are doing a great job. - <b>50S, 60S, Winter, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>• It would be nice to have better field lighting at night. - <b>50S</b></li> <li>• LOts of work - Thanks!! - <b>70S</b></li> <li>• I've enjoyed my time playing senior softball in CS since 2006. The growth of the league and organization has gotten so much better over the years. I will surely miss playing any more. - <b>70S</b></li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There should be a run rule for the open inning, in a 5 inning game. A team shouldn't be allowed to score 28 runs. There should be a cap on the number of runs or a mercy rule. - <b>50S, 40F, Winter, CW, DBAT</b></li> <li>I found out about the league too late to be on a team. I registered as an alternate and came to most practices. I didn't have a bat so taking swings wasn't an option. I tried to talk to other players but they were more comfortable with their friends and teammates. I enjoyed watching the games. I did notice that teams would rather share players than ask an alternate to play. I will continue to watch the games and will likely sign up as an alternate again in the Spring. - <b>CW</b></li> <li>The feedback is that I write down what position that I would like to play and it never happens then I end up on the bench more than not. Very frustrating so I won't be coming back to play - <b>50S</b></li> <li>Joe is an awesome person that under the situation of my MS. He's very caring as well as his wife! - <b>60S</b></li> <li>It may be time to recruit some new, younger board members even if we have to temporarily increase the size of the board to 9 members as a transition. - <b>60S, 70S, 60F</b></li> <li>Thank you for what you do! - <b>50S, 40F, CW, DBAT</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not as much arguing this year. - <b>60F</b></li> <li>You (and others) are doing a good job at leadership. Thanks. - <b>70S</b></li> <li>Thumbs up on including 40+ players - <b>60S, 40F, 60F, CW</b></li> <li>"I enjoyed the summer league. I thought for the most part, the teams were equal and everyone had a chance to win on any given night. The fall felt the exact opposite. There was no doubt who I thought was going to win the fall league. One team seemed to get every good player in the draft, especially the 40 year olds. The subs brought in were also good. I do wonder if there was a draft at all. I feel strongly that with 40 year olds playing against some in their 70's and against some not as skilled as others, there is no doubt that someone will get hurt. Add senior bats to their arsenal and it becomes even more dangerous. I joined a senior league to play against players close to my age. Playing against arrogant 40 year olds was no fun for me. I know you're trying to build your league, but I think you will lose some of your core players to bring in a younger crowd. Losing 50 year olds in a 50 year old league to 40 year olds seems counterproductive. I know I will not play fall ball under the current rules.- <b>50S, 40F</b></li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• enforce time limits - <b>50S</b></li><li>• By integrating these targeted infield drills into our pre-game routine, we can expect improved fielding consistency from the first pitch, fewer early-inning errors, and even greater team confidence. This small adjustment has the potential to make a noticeable impact on our game-day performance and enjoyment. Respectfully submitted, - <b>70S</b></li><li>• I've moved from the area but wish everyone (and the league) all the best. Thanks for several great years! - <b>50S</b></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thank you to all the guys that do all the hard work each week to make this successful. - <b>50S, CW, DBAT</b></li><li>• If we have to silk screen shirts, make the graphics smaller - <b>50S, 60S, CW, DBAT</b></li><li>• Fun league. Look forward to Monday nights- <b>50S, 40F, CW</b></li><li>• Keep 3 to 5 players per year on a team. If the manager wishes. It would speed up the draft - <b>50S</b></li><li>• Limit game time!!! - <b>50S</b></li><li>• Thanks to all the managers and volunteers. - <b>60S, 70S, 60F</b></li></ul> |
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