FALL 2006



NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Once again, 2006 has been a fantastic summer for our club. Our tournament teams have enjoyed great success: the Royals 70's winning the Senior Softball-USA 70 AAA World Championship and the Chiefs 70's winning the AA national title in a one game playoff and taking second place in the Senior Softball-USA World Championship 70 AA games. In fact, three of our tournament teams took first place in their divisions at our own Redwood City tournament played in June. Congratulations to all.

Jack Hoover continues to work hard for our club, making sure we have fields to play on and as Commissioner of Day Play, he, with the help of the board, completed a set of Day Play Rules that insure safety and fun for all who participate. Jack is going in for a double knee replacement in October. Our thoughts go with him for a speedy recovery.

Summer League was a huge success thanks to Commissioner, Ken Montagna, and his second in command, Bill Picht. Special thanks also to our field prep members: Mel Rankin, Bob Cushman, Rick Allen, and Bruce Barnes.

Thanks also to Barry Lewis for his CPR Demo Day. Reminder: see Barry to purchase a copy of our Señors Softball 2005 Day Play DVD and CD that Carole de Gery made for the 2005 Christmas Party.

Thanks to a great Board: V.P. Ron Albrecht, Treasurer Bob Cushman, Secretary Dave Reck, Membership Secretary Donna O'Farrell and members: Joe Bozzuto, Rick Allen, Bill Picht, Al Davis, and Gene Lind.

Glenn Kovas

Calendar of Events 2006

2007

Jan. 1 Club Dues Deadline Jan. 8 Annual Meeting

2007 ANNUAL MEETING

The Redwood City Señors Softball Club 2007 Annual Meeting is scheduled for 7 P.M. Monday, Jan. 8th in the Redwood City Veteran's Memorial Building Auditorium. Official notice, including agenda items, will be e-mailed to members who have current e-mail addresses on file. Send e-mail updates to Donna O'Farrell (donna94025@aol.com). All other notices will be sent by US Postal Service approximately 30 days before the meeting.

Bring comments and suggestions for discussion and future consideration by the new Board. A quorum of 15 members is required by our bylaws to elect a nine-member Board of Directors for 2007. Any member may register as a candidate for election to the Board at the Annual Meeting or with Glenn Kovas, Jack Hoover, Al Davis, Mark Kaufmann or Ron Albrecht before the meeting.

2007 CLUB DUES

Remember, 2007 Club dues must be paid on or before January 1, 2007. You can include your dues when you respond to Rick Allen's Christmas Party invitation mailer. Otherwise, payment should be made to Redwood City Señors Softball Club and sent c/o Club Treasurer, Bob Cushman at P.O. Box 3904, Redwood City, CA 94064.

If you have not paid your 2007 dues by January 1, 2007, you will not be eligible to participate in Day Play, the Tuesday Night Winter League and all other club activities. Dues from new and continuing members who pay after October 1, 2006 but before January 1, 2007, cover all of 2007.

CHRISTMAS PARTY Saturday, December 9, 2006, 6 P.M.

Our 21st annual Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 9, 2006 at the Redwood City Veterans Hall. Chairman, Rick Allen, tells us this year's program will feature an auction of special



Enjoying last year's party, from left to right, Dennis and Dagmar Logie, Judy and Warren Goodnow, and Carl Woodruff.

donations. One is Hawaii condo time. Social hour begins at 6 P.M. Dinner, opportunity drawings, award presentations and dancing continue until 10 P.M. D.J. Rich Dees will again provide the music.

All proceeds support Club activities throughout the year. Look for your invitation and sign-up forms in the mail. To help with preparations, call Rick at 650-324-3520

Day Players Attend CPR Demo



Barry Lewis demonstrated the ABC's of CPR (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation) at Day Play in Mitchell Park. Players learned that Barry is as good at fielding questions about this life-saving technique as he is at fielding grounders to shortstop.

WINTER LEAGUE Starts Dec 5th

Commissioner, Ken Montagna, reports that Winter League Tuesday night games at Hawes Park will begin Dec. 5, 2006. Game times are 6:30 P.M., 7:30 P.M. and 8:30 P.M.

To be assigned to a team, call Ken at 650-787-7210 or email him at kensurferca@hotmail.com. He'll need your name, age, phone number and email address if you have one. Team managers will then contact players. League schedules and a map showing the location of Hawes field will be posted online at the Señors Club website: www.seniorsoftball.us

To play, you must be 49 or older and a member of the Redwood City Señors Softball Club. You can download an application form at the Club's website or get one from your team manager.

Check for rain cancellations and makeup games at 650-363-1140. Tuesday rainouts will be rescheduled for the following Thursday. Don't let the same guys do all the field prep work. Please call Bruce Barnes (650-591-5235) and Al Davis (650-594-9107 to volunteer or just show up an hour before play starts.

SATURDAY LEAGUE starts Nov. 18

This year's series of three double-headers at Hawes Park every Saturday is again in the able hands of Commissioner, Dean Perkins. The start date is November 18. Game schedules will be posted on the Señors website and available from team managers. Outfielders, stay dry, bring extra socks.

Perkins MINI TOURNAMENT set for Nov. 4 and 5 at Hawes and Mc Garvey

Dean Perkins and Tommy Selph are scheduling this annual weekend tournament for local teams at Hawes Park and Mc Garvey field in Redwood City. Six teams will be selected to compete. A play schedule and directions to game locations will be posted on the Señors website: www.seniorsoftball.us Dial 650-363-1140 and follow directions for rainout updates.

DAY PLAY is Year 'round

Our Tuesday-through-Thursday Day Play continues at Mitchell Field in Redwood City's Red Morton Park Complex. When the winter rains arrive, we will move to the artificial turf at Hoover School near the corner of Woodside Rd. and Spring St. in Redwood City. This change of location will be announced on the Señors information line: 650-363-1140.

Batting practice begins around 9 A.M. Games start promptly at 10 A.M. To be selected by a team manager, you need to be signed in and ready to play no later than 9:45 A.M.

To check for cancellations, call 650-363-1140 and press #5 after 7 A.M. Games rained out are sometimes rescheduled for Friday. Information on Friday play is also accessed at the Day Play message center.

If you arrive before 9 A.M. to help Mel Rankin, Rick Allen, Bob Cushman, and Bruce Barnes with field preparation, you'll be rewarded with an extra session of fielding practice.



For their service as 2005/2006 Day Play team mangers, (I to r.) Bill Beshore, Ron Albrecht and Dave Arrigoni receive trophies from Club President, Glenn Kovas.

Perkins Inducted Into Senior Softball-USA Hall of Fame



Dean Perkins (left) receives the plaque honoring his induction into the Hall of Fame from Terry Hennessy, Chief Executive Officer of Senior Softball-USA.

Tournament teams lined the infield in a semicircle at the World Championships in Kent, Washington on September 11, 2006 as Dean Perkins was inducted into the Senior Softball-USA Hall of Fame

Perkins, 77, wearing the green jersey of the Palo Alto Chiefs, was hailed as a "pioneer" of the Northern California Senior Softball Association (NORCAL) and recognized for his accomplishments and dedication to the game. And, it might be added, for his fierce competitive spirit.

"I never in my life expected this kind of award," he said. "Senior softball is the best thing that's ever happened to me and I'll do it until they put me down"

Dean grew up in the remote farm country of western Idaho.

"I come from a place where nobody was," he says, "a hundred miles from Boise. The closest town was eight miles away and there was no road to get there. You had to go by horseback." There were only six kids in his grade school and he didn't play organized sports until high school where he lettered in baseball and basketball.

In turn, Dean worked as a farmer, a cowboy, a jockey, and a horse trainer, and for the past forty years, as a dispatcher and truck driver in the freight business. He played baseball for local town teams. Then, at age 60, he discovered slow-pitch softball. That's when he began managing and pitching for the

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Perkins in Softball Hall of Fame

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Palo Alto Cherokees. In 1992, he started the Chiefs as a 60s team.

"In the beginning, there were some lean times with the Chiefs," he says. But not this year. This year's Chief 70s capped Dean's Hall of Fame week with a national championship, his first, by defeating the Delaware Naturals in an East-West play-off game and then finished second in the world championship round.

"I'm pretty proud of this team, one of the best teams I've managed. It's been a good year." This season Dean managed both the Chiefs 70s and 75s. This winter he will serve as Commissioner of our Club's Saturday League at Hawes Park and his Mini Tournament on November 4th and 5th.

Redwood City and San Bruno Seniors Establish Intercity Invitational Rivalry



Players from our Redwood City Club and the San Bruno Senior Center who played in the August 18th game in San Bruno.

It's now a tradition. Senior members of the Redwood City Señors Softball Club play the seniors from San Bruno twice each year. Gene Lind, Jack Hoover, Ed and Brenda Guzman, and Mary Tessier, who is with the San Bruno Senior Center, first organized the games in 2001. One game each year is a "San Bruno Senior Sports Week" event that includes a picnic lunch at the ballpark. Players invited to participate in the games are asking: "when are we going again."

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