



The Score

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This Year Everyone Is An All-Star

This year, everyone is an All Star. The “mid-season classic,” which has been moved to June 4, will be a league-wide festival that includes free food, charity softball games, carnival rides and the Dunk Tank Challenge.

DJ Teddy will be the master of ceremonies. In addition to traditional All Star games in six competitive divisions, the charity softball games will feature a showdown between USMC and U.S. Army teams. The RLL Coaches will also play a pair of challenge matches against the RLL Board and the RLL Umpires. The team playing the RLL Board is captained by Jaime Agolia. The team playing the RLL Umpires is captained by Bill Erhard.

There will be two dunk tanks and a host of prominent community personalities competing to raise money for charity in a tournament style format. The carnival rides will feature the air-powered batting tee that was so popular on Opening Day. The entire RLL family is welcome to the first edition of this new tradition.



Minor Boys Dodgers and Pee Wee Sr. Reds are Monsters of the Midway

Reds and Braves are 4-0 in Minor and Major Girls

As the regular season passes the halfway point, four teams remain undefeated, led by the 7-0 Harbor Light Dodgers and the 6-0 DJ’s at Work Reds. Randy Koenig and Joseph Loconte coach the Reds. Jay Byrne and Koenig coach the Dodgers. Two girls’ teams are 4-0: The F.C. Gerlach Braves in the Majors, coached by Carolyn Nicholson and Kenny Collins and the Sportography Reds in the Minors, coached by Jim Durante and Chris Simos. The other division leaders are the Coastal Marlins in Major Boys and the J&E Industries Orioles in Junior Boys. To follow the pennant races down the stretch, check out our standings page: www.rockawaylitttleleagueny.com/Standings.html.

Memorial Day:
March With Us, May 30



Key Dates to Remember



Coaches Clinic #1	May 19
Coaches Clinic #2	May 22
Memorial Day Parade	May 30
All-Star Gala	June 4
Playoffs Begin	June 18
Championship Weekend	June 25
RLL Day at MCU Park	June 25

Outside The Lines

Upcoming Events at Gateway NRA

Beach Campfire at Riis Park

May 27, 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Kick off Memorial Day with a traditional campfire right down the road from our fields.

Jamaica Bay Sunset Cruise

May 28, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Leaves from Pier 2, Sheepshead Bay. Call (718) 318-9344 for fees and reservations.

First Paddle of the Season

May 30, 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a leisurely paddle (~2.5 miles) from Riis Landing to Rockaway Point Cove. All equipment provided. Bring lunch, sunscreen. Reservations required: (718)338-3799.

You Be The Umpire

Infield Fly Rule

In the bottom of the last inning, the home team trails by 1. With the bases loaded and no outs, the batter hits a high pop-up to the shortstop. The umpire declares, "Infield Fly!" but the shortstop fails to make the catch. The ball hits off his glove and rolls toward second base.

The runners on first and third try to advance while the other runner tries to get back to second base. The alert second baseman picks up the ball, steps on second and tags the runner who was headed from first to second before the runner from third crosses the plate.

The visiting coach cries out, "Triple play. The game is over!" Who is out? Who is safe? Does the run score? **You make the call.**

(Answer below.)



RLL Day at
MCU Park



Our annual trip to Coney Island is Saturday, June 25 at 6:00 p.m. Brooklyn Cyclones vs. Hudson Valley Renegades. Everyone gets a Cyclones hat and raffle chance to throw out the first pitch. Kids get on the field and stand with their favorite player during the National Anthem. Fireworks, too! Don't miss it!! \$16 per ticket for box seats. Contact Richie Mills 917-670-7181 or your team's coach.



The Umpire Says...

Two out of three ain't bad. It's a double play and the run scores. The batter was out as soon as Infield Fly was declared. One out. Infield Fly only affects the batter. The batter-runner is out which removes the force, regardless of whether the ball is caught or not. The other runners can advance at their own risk. Since the shortstop dropped the ball, the runners did not have to tag up. Stepping on second base did nothing. The runner who returned to second was safe. The runner going from first to second was tagged. He's out. Two out. The runner from third scored.

All-Star Gala Sponsors

Some of the generous members of our community who have already contributed to this event to get it off the ground and running are:

- **Slices 'n Ices Pizzeria (the primary and naming sponsor)**
- **Arverne by the Sea**
- **Rockaway Civic Association**
- **Breezy Point Nerd Herd**
- **Robert Connolly & Family**
- **Cosmo Cimino & Family**
- **Seaway Marina**
- **West End Party Rentals**
- **Joe Moran & Family**
- **Brendan Gallagher & Family**
- **Jeffrey Zweifler & Family**

Sponsorships are available in the amounts of \$100, \$150, \$200 and on up. Donations in the form of small kid's prizes or toys would be appreciated for the Carnival Games. Contact Joe Braskey at rockawaylittleleague@gmail.com if you are interested in sponsoring, donating or volunteering.

PITCH, HIT and RUN WINNERS 4/30/11

Boys 7/8

Pitch- Ian Byrne

Hit- Jason Sebastiano

Run-Ian Byrne

Overall- Ian Byrne

Girls 7/8

Pitch- Corinne Connolly

Hit-None All ties at minimum

Run- Kaysea Jenkusky

Overall-Kaysea Jenkusky

Boys 9/10

Pitch- Jack Casey & Matthew McCabe

Hit- Joseph Braskey

Run- James Resker

Overall- James Resker

Boys 13/14

Pitch-Frank Petrosino

Hit- Tyler Keane

Run- Frank Petrosino

Overall-Frank Petrosino

Boys 11/12

Pitch-Francesco Ancona

Hit- Aiden Gallagher

Run-Aiden Gallagher

Overall- Aiden Gallagher

Girls 13/14

Pitch-Kaitlin Courtney

Hit-Kaitlin Courtney

Run- Kaitlin Courtney

Overall- Kaitlin Courtney

To excel, your children must love the game enough to work at it. Pressuring them to excel can sap that love. You can nurture this love of playing by noticing and recognizing them for specific things they're doing well.

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