



FRIENDS OF OTTAWA BASEBALL INVITATIONAL APRIL 28 – MAY 1

Ottawa Patriots Baseball Club is hosting an invitational tournament the first weekend of May with an open invitation extended to all local competitive 15U baseball teams. The Ottawa area has seen the growth of various baseball organizations flourish in recent years. All these organizations compete to attract the best players in the Ottawa area. They all play in their respective leagues under different regulatory bodies and organizing games against each other is at best challenging. They include Baseball Ontario (NCOBA), Little League of Canada, Recognition teams under the Baseball Ontario umbrella, independent organizations, and academies. The purpose of this invitational tournament is to bring together a representative team from each local organization for a fun weekend of baseball.

This will be an eight team event with all teams being in the 15U age group (some may include 2006 born players on their roster). To date most organizations have responded favorably with one sending their regrets due to their start of regular season play. To this end and keeping with the spirit of our objective, two local organizations have also informed us that while they cannot commit to a full weekend of play, and they will likely participate in an exhibition game against each other during this event.

The Patriots have always maintained a good relationship with the Gatineau Tyrans, and we have accepted two of their teams to participate. The Patriots play in La Ligue Baseball Inter-Cité Métropolitaine (LBICM), and as such we have invited an LBICM team from Laval to be its representative.

There is still one spot open in the tournament for a local 15U team.

The Ottawa Patriots Baseball Club is covering the cost of this tournament. However, we ask that each team to bring their own game balls and donate \$100.00. We also ask that all participants support the BBQ. The proceeds from the BBQ and the donations collected from the teams will be presented to the Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa.

It is important to note that this tournament will be held outside the City of Ottawa limits since Ottawa baseball parks do not traditionally open until the second weekend of May. Additionally, it will support the rural economy in the communities of Casselman and St-Albert. Play for this tournament is subject to exceptional spring weather for the parks to be in playing condition.

The Ottawa Patriots wish to thank Leclair Homes and all their sponsors for their generosity. Watch this tournament page for a list of all tournament sponsors and other tournament details.

