



Shore Regional Little League Bi-Weekly Baseball Update 5/17/2021

It's time for another edition of our baseball newsletter. Thank you for all the positive responses to the initial report. We're now roughly halfway through the season, so it's a great time to take stock of where we are and gear up for a strong second half. Despite plenty of rain and the challenge of living in low-lying seaside communities, we currently only have a handful of games that need to be made up. Thank you to everyone for being flexible, and a big thank you to our coaches for your work getting fields in playable condition. Raking up leaves this fall is going to be a piece of cake.

We're going to zoom in on three of our Coach Pitch teams this week. First up, The Brew Crew, led by head coach Tim Bonnett. It hasn't been all smooth sailing for these guys, but they are a resilient bunch and looking to benefit from lessons learned so far. Tim's got plenty of confidence in his squad, "Yeah we got off to a slow start but the kids seem to be hitting their stride. They never gave up and I'm really proud of them for that. There are some really good teams out there but hopefully we can take the positive momentum into the home stretch of the season." Look out for these guys in the playoffs.



Next we've got the Cubs. Any seasoned fan of the North side club knows that patience is a virtue and the true measure of success doesn't necessarily include winning percentage. Head coach Joe Noon is making sure his players keep the big picture in mind, "The kids continue to progress every week. It's lots of fun to see a kid that has not had a hit all season get his first hit. The excitement on

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their face running down to first base is something special. Hopefully the progress will get us some more W's, but if not, I'll take that player's excitement any day!" It's pretty easy to understand why the Cubs have so many loyal fans.



We'll wrap up this week's team profiles by dropping in on Head Coach Kevin Reinert's Rays. Despite the bottom-dwelling nature of their nickname, these guys have no intention of waiting around for their next win to come to them. On the contrary, according to coach Reinert, "Our team has had a great season so far with everyone improving their baseball skills and understanding of the game. Force outs, tag outs and tag ups are now in our vocabulary! It is amazing to watch the team gel and support each other. I'm proud of the progress these kids have made and we're excited for the playoffs! Go Rays!!!" With their offense putting up more than 12 runs per game, these guys are always within striking distance.



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Next week we'll finish up our AA team profiles, including a look at the undefeated Pirates. The older divisions continue to display parity, with 4 teams at the AAA level within 1 game of first place, and all 3 teams in the Majors within a half game of each other. We'll see if anyone can get some separation heading into the post season.

That's all for now. Thanks for reading, and enjoy the sunshine!

-Scott Marcantonio

Shore Little League Baseball Standings as of 5/17/21												
AA (7-8 year old) Standings												
Team	GP	W	L	T	PCT	STRK	GB	RS	RA	RPG	APG	DIFF
Pirates	8	8	0	0	1.000	W8	0	96	45	12.0	5.6	51
Padres	8	6	2	0	0.750	W1	2	102	45	12.8	5.6	57
Yankees	9	6	3	0	0.667	L1	2.5	91	63	10.1	7.0	28
Rays	9	5	4	0	0.556	L1	3.5	109	84	12.1	9.3	25
Brewers	8	3	5	0	0.375	L1	5	43	63	5.4	7.9	-20
Mets	6	2	4	0	0.333	W1	5	28	52	4.7	8.7	-24
Cubs	8	2	6	0	0.250	W1	6	31	64	3.9	8.0	-33
AAA (9-10 year old) Standings												
Team	GP	W	L	T	PCT	STRK	GB	RS	RA	RPG	APG	DIFF
Tigers	8	6	2	0	0.750	L1	0	59	33	7.4	4.1	26
Cubs	8	6	2	0	0.750	W6	0	50	26	6.3	3.3	24
A's	8	5	3	0	0.625	W1	1	67	30	8.4	3.8	37
Yankees	8	4	2	2	0.625	W1	1	66	31	8.3	3.9	35
Mets	8	2	5	1	0.313	L3	3.5	45	42	5.6	5.3	3
Majors (11-12 year old) Standings												
Team	GP	W	L	T	PCT	STRK	GB	RS	RA	RPG	APG	DIFF
Blue Devils	8	5	2	1	0.688	W1	0	72	46	9.0	5.8	26
Tidal Waves	7	5	2	0	0.714	W2	0	46	28	6.6	4.0	18
Yankees	7	4	2	1	0.643	L1	0.5	65	30	9.3	4.3	35