## Umpire Meeting Notes March 11, 2025

## Intro:

New umpire to possibly join our ranks: Ron Yarbrough from Anaheim Hills.

WR Academy: Albert – found it very humbling. He really enjoyed the program, getting all the rules handed to him. Now he needs to work on application. Brandon – completely different than last time – less militaristic. Had a great time.

Javier – went to the MLB Camp in Daytona Fl. (5 week program). Very positive atmosphere. Long days and on the field every day. Whenever you were making errors that would always pick you up. All 2-man mechanics. Instructors want to see you are always hustling.

Chuck Kibby Tournament – 4/26 to 5/2. 28 Majors, 29 AAA, 33 AA. There will be 2 division, basically an A and B called Blue and Red. Divisions will be based on win/loss. No TD's until the Championship game.

Availability sheet. Please fill out your availability by end of the month. Need 8 umpires for May 1 and 2.

Regular season games, use these games to practice our rotations. If we can get a 4-man crew together let's do it. If you see a game where you can jump on with a few guys and get that 4-man crew try to. Use these games as practice for post season.

In open discussion dangling throat guards were brought up after an umpire noticed throat guards were missing from some catchers. When we catch this illegal equipment violation, we need to bring it to the managers (not coaches). They are the responsible party and need to be taught to properly do their jobs. We also need to remember that this is "use of illegal equipment and can be subject to the penalty. This does not mean we should eject but try to educate by informing the manager and allowing him to fix the problem.