2012 STATE TOURNAMENTS

50+

Saturday, August 25th Memorial Park, Linden Middlesex County Fields

Sunday, August 26th Memorial Park, Linden <u>RAIN DATES:</u> Saturday, September 15th

Sunday, September 16th

A new division will be created this year. It will be a - NJSSA "Super "A" Division and will be open to the top teams in the NJSSA as well as non-NJSSA teams who wish to enter. The non NJSSA teams will be required to submit a \$400.00 fee to play in the Tournament and will be guaranteed three (3) games with a potential of 6 games. The non NJSSA teams must submit a roster of not more than 20 players, with names, addresses, and DOB (must be 50 years of age or older) Players must carry proof of age and identification with them at all times as they will be carded.

60+

Saturday & Sunday September 8th & 9th Memorial Park, Linden <u>RAIN DATES:</u> Saturday, September 22nd Sunday, September 23rd

70+

Wednesday, July 11th Veterans Park, Old Bridge <u>RAIN DATES:</u> Wednesday, July 18th

THERE WILL BE 2 DIVISIONS. **DIVISION #1:** Will consist of the four (4) from the Middlesex over 70 Wednesday morning League. The rosters will be frozen and players on the roster(s) can ONLY play for the Middlesex team they are assigned to. They CANNOT play on a team in the open division #2.

DIVISION *2: Other Counties, Monmouth, Morris,

Ocean, and Union can submit a team or teams, but no player on their roster can be on a team from the Middlesex 70's League. (Division #1)

50's & 60's Team Classification (A,B,C)

A representative will be selected (by League members) from each League to work with the Tournament Committee to assign a division for teams entered in the Tournament from their League. The Tournament Committee can override the league representative in placing a team.

2011 SENIOR OLYMPICS GAMES

Texas City, Texas



BIG LEAGUE DREAMS SPORTS PARK TEXAS CITY, TEXAS



They were all artificial turf and were facsimile of major league stadia. They even had the Shaeffer scoreboard from Ebbets Field, the green monster from Fenway Park and pictures of people in the stands.





Bill Perlman Receiving Bronze Medal.

Bob Baker Waiting to receive his Medal.

Kneeling: Ed McLaughlinn, Tom Michaels, Bill Perlman, Joe Masi, Joe Garcia & Tino Hernandez. Standing: Herb Slovis, Bob Maly, Ed Hoff, Vince Mazzilli, Bob Baker, Gordon LeMatty, Al Carlson, Frank Kardashian & Tony Naturale.

SENIOR OLYMPICS NJ 75+ MENS SOFT BALL TEAM It Wasn't Easy Getting Good Ball Players that Could Still Run at Age 75 and Over, But We Finally Did

We played 8 games and were 5-1 going into the medal round. The last day we ran out of steam and lost both games. We lost the Silver to a Texas team we had already beaten twice. We all met (some of us on the plane) at the Hampton Inn in Texas City, Texas on July 22nd, to get ready for our fist game on Friday 10:30 am with the Texas Classics. After the first 2 innings they were whipping us 9-2. We finally came around. Mazzilli and Hernandez led the team with 3 hits a piece. Because there is a time limit we only got in 5 inning and they scored 4 runs in the bottom of the fifth to take the lead and won the game as time ran out, 15-12.

Our second game was at 12:30 am with the San Antonio team and we scored 5 runs in the top of the 4th led by Tino's HR. Carlson contributed with 3 hits. Mazzilli kept hitting getting 2 more hits. Baker and McLaughlin contributed doubles contributed a double. Ed Hoff pitched great and we won it 9-6.

In our third game on this day at 3:30 pm we lost to Chattanooga Tenon 9-4. Brazilian had 3 hits and Massif contributed a double. Saturday we played lowa and won a slugfest 24-18. Just about everyone on the roster had 3 hits. Jose Garcia had 4 for 4 and had a basesloaded home run. Al Carl son also homebred. Our 2nd game was with SW Texas and Frank Kawashima pitched a nice game winning 13-7 Permian doubled and Baker doubled twice. Everyone in the line-up had a hit. The 3rd game with SW Texas was really exciting.

We were losing in the bottom of the which would be the last inning because of time restraints. With 2 outs Hernandez, Carlton and Masi all singled. Bases loaded and Baker is due and I couldn't find him. His wife Carol said he had gone inside because he wasn't feeling well. I see him coming into the dugout and asked if he was OK to bat, he said he would try and he did. He took 2 of the worst swings I ever saw him make, fouling them off. On the next pitch he came through lining a double into left center field clearing the bases.We win the game 7-6. Sunday is the last day of the competition. If we win I game we get the Silver Medal, if we win them both we will play the Classics for the gold.

Well we were really flat because the 1st game with the Classics was lost 18-0. That was out last chance for the gold. Still don' know how we didn't get any runs but we found out later that the classics was a tournament team but wasn't listed as one. The 1st game we played them we lost and if they were listed a tournament team we would of gotten 5 runs and won the game. They had beaten us 15-12 in the 1st game our 8th and last game would give us the Silver medal if we won but we lost 12-6. We did rally in the last inning getting 5 runs but it was too little too late. I would like to add personally as the captain of the team I was really proud to play with this bunch of guys and maybe we can get the gold in 2013, in Cleveland, God Willing. By:Tony Naturale

REMEMBER ROSTER RULE Team Roster submitted on June 1, 2012 to NJSSA will be roster used for the 50+ and 60+ Tournaments. NO SUBSTITUTIONS OR REPLACEMENTS WILL BE PERMITTED!