

Managers,

This year Naperville Little League has partnered with GameChanger to replace our old game report program. In the past after each game the home team Manager was responsible for completing and excel document and emailing it to the game report coordinator after the game. Last year we started to utilize GameChanger with the game report coordinators looking up final scores and inputting the data into the NLLB website.

This year GameChanger has enhanced their program to include a "League" feature that will automate our game report system.

Below are a few highlights of how we plan to use GameChanger this season. The League feature is still in the Beta phase for GameChanger so I reserve the right to abandon this system during the season if it is not working well.

- NLLB has created your team for you. In the next day or two you will receive an email from GameChanger inviting you to join your team.
- Your team name has been added to your team with your league designation. If I had a team this year my team may be **CLMAA – Llewellyn** this stands for Continental League (CL), Majors AA (MA) Llewellyn (managers last name)
- After receiving the invite to joint your team the Manager will be responsible for adding his team's roster including player names and numbers to the app
- The free version of the app can be used for scoring the game. The new version of the app should be used. It is green with a GC in white on it. Do not use the old classic app that looks like a baseball.
- We have added you schedule to the GameChanger team as well. The schedules will not adjust automatically if your game gets rained out. You will need to update the game time and location if you would like.
- All team have been added to their correct leagues already. Do not modify this.
- The results of the games will automatically populate the standings for the league
- These teams are for NLLB in house games only. **DO NOT USE THESE TEAMS FOR SUNDAY LEAGUE OR OUTSIDE TOURNAMENTS.**
- Pitch counts will be tracked through the app and a report will be available in the app to track pitch counts.
- The pitch count report includes a stat called "Last Batter First Pitch #" which will help with our roll back rule.
- Managers still need to confirm pitches between innings during the game.
- Both team can score the game at the same time. The team that logs in first will be the official score that is added to the standings at the end of the game. If there is a discrepancy, please report it to your League Director or Player Agent and a ruling can be made by the league.
- **THE HOME TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE TO SCORING THE GAME. IF NEITHER TEAM SCORES THE GAME THE HOME TEAM WILL FORFEIT.**

The league understands that not everyone is a professional baseball scorekeeper and we are not expecting that. The goal of this is to record the correct score of the game and the correct number of pitches thrown by a player in the game.

Our hope is this system will streamline the game reporting process and provide accurate data with less stress on our volunteers that help process this data every year.

I also believe this will add more fun to the league as the game scores will be live on the app similar to ESPN or other apps that track MLB games and will allow the players and families to stay up to date on what the other teams in their league are doing.

As I said this is a beta program. I appreciate your help and understanding to make this successful. Please let me know what questions you have and we can cover this in more detail at the mangers meeting as well.

Thank you for all you do for NLLB and I look forward to seeing you at the ballfield soon!

Mike Llewellyn

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