



# Matthew Krol 2021 Memorial Tournament Information Package

**Thank you for participating in this year's tournament.**

On August 4, 1994, while hosting the Big League Canadian Championships at the newly built Ancaster Community Centre, lightning struck the field and killed a young man by the name of Matthew Krol. Matthew had just turned 19, and playing for his hometown team in a national championship. The final strike of lightning coming as the skies had cleared and play was about to resume, teams were warming up getting ready for play, it is a moment and a day that has not been forgotten in this town and today we honour Matthew Krol's life and legacy.

Please join us on Diamond 3 at 11:15 on Saturday the 28th for a brief ceremony to honour Matthew.

## **Diamonds**

Ancaster Community Center Diamonds (385 Jerseyville Rd W, Ancaster, ON L9G 3L5 )

James Smith Park (Braithwaite Ave, Ancaster, ON L9G 5A6 ).

## **Amenities**

Both parks have ample parking

Limited washrooms will be available at the Community Center Diamonds

Playground is open for use

Many local restaurants are nearby

There is plenty of space for picnic lunches

No concessions will be available at the park

## **Registration and Scoring**

Registration/scoring booth will be located in the concession stand at the center of the diamonds

Upon arrival please check-in at the registration desk

Please drop off 2 OBA approved games balls at the registration desk to be used during the tournament

## **Tournament Format & Schedule**

This event is an 8 team tournament consisting of 2 separate divisions

Each division will start with round robin games (Friday and Saturday) which will determine seeding for Sunday's games

At the end of round robin play the #1 seed will advance to the final, #2 will play #3 in the semi-final game, the #4 team will be eliminated.

Please refer the schedule on the next page

## **Rules**

Play will be governed by Baseball Ontario rules including pitch counts and substitutions

The home team will keep score while the visiting team tracks pitch counts (score sheets must be returned to the score booth after each game, please record pitch counts on the score sheets)

Scoring, line-up cards and pitch count sheets will be available at the registration desk

Please do your best to have access to the pitch count app

During round robin play 2 points will be awarded for a win, 1 point for a tie and zero points for a loss

During round robin play no new inning after 2 hours

Home and Away will be pre-determined using an online randomizer app. For the semi-finals the higher seed may choose home or away. A coin toss will determine home/away for the final games

During the semi-finals and final there will be no time limit

Mercy rules are as follows...18 runs after 3 innings, 15 runs after 4 innings, 10 runs after 5 innings

Tie Breakers—1. Head to Head Results 2. Fewest Runs Allowed 3. Coin Toss

Protests will be directed to the on-site tournament convenors (Mike Hammond and/or Mike Furdal)

No pre-game infield warm-ups are permitted

## **Covid-19 Protocols**

Baseball Ontario Return to Sport Protocols will be in effect

HDBA is requiring players to have their own lawn chairs rather than use benches in the dugouts

Anyone attending a game (players, coaches & spectators) must conduct daily Covid-19 screening and must stay home if they are symptomatic.

For most of us this will be the largest event we have attended in a long time. Please remember to have patience and lots of fun!