



PGSL NEWS

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NEW FIELDS UPDATE

I'm sure most of you are aware that PGSL has been searching for a new home for our league for quite a few years. I'm also sure that most of you are familiar with our recent efforts to secure a spot just down Midland Road in the old Christmas tree lot. If you've been following the stories in the newspaper you know that our potential new neighbors are opposed to the idea of building fields there. I want to assure everyone that we have searched diligently for the past six years for a new home and this recent proposal is our most promising and perhaps ONLY solution. With Midland Elementary's new construction

plans our fields will be gone forever and the sense of urgency for our league and the city has been greatly heightened.

Regarding this latest potential site the New Fields Committee has been working for over a year with city planners, builders, architects and neighbors in an effort to address everyone's concerns. As impossible as this is, we believe the most current plan, seen in a few local papers, is the best solution for everyone. We believe the city staff is pleased with the outcome of our planning sessions, however, we also believe that the neighbors will never be appeased.

So it comes down to this...

In the near future, at a date not yet determined, our plans will come before the city council for a vote as to whether we will have a new park for softball or not. **YOUR HELP IS DESPERATELY NEEDED!** We know that the neighbors will be heard at this important meeting and **WE MUST BE HEARD** as well. We will be asking you parents and other supporters of our league and other youth sports organizations to get behind this effort in a number of ways.

When the date for the city council meeting is announced we will be mailing you some response cards to be mailed in to the city council members showing your support for the project. We will also be asking you to participate in an email and/or letter writing campaign. And finally, and most importantly, we will be asking for your family's attendance at the meeting, including appropriately attired softball players. We would like some to speak, many to help fill the room, but most of all we would like **THE ENTIRE PGSL FAMILY** to attend a pre-meeting rally just outside the meeting facility to show the council just how many people support this effort.

Our New Fields Committee will continue to press behind the scenes for this all-important vote but we cannot do it without each and every one of you. If you can attend **PLEASE** do so. If not, rearrange your schedule so that you can. Bring your friends and neighbors. Invite the church. Ask for help from other sports organizations. Organize a class field trip to watch democracy in action. The more voices to be heard the better our chances. This may very well be our **LAST CHANCE!**

Thank you in advance for your support. PGSL families have never let their daughters down before and I know we'll come through again. Thank you and keep an ear and an eye out for further news.

PLAYER & COACHING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Once again, the Board has been working diligently to build a program of consistent development for girls from T-Ball to Division 3 with learning objectives for each division intended to build the skill sets of our players one season at a time. This begins with the Coaching and Training Committee, responsible for our coaches and players training programs. There will be mandatory coaches training and skills clinics scheduled for both players and coaches.

All previous coaches will be notified. If you are interested in coaching for the first time, please download your coaches application or contact your division director through the website. Again this year, we will be offering pitching and specific skills clinics for girls of all playing levels. Keep watching for more information.

REMINDERS:

- Walk-In Registration:
 - Tues. 12/09/03 6pm-9pm Old Poway Park
 - Sat. 12/13/03 10am-12pm Midland Field
 - Tues. 01/06/04 7pm-9pm Community Center
- Tryouts: January 10 & 17 at Midland Fields
- Season Begins: February 28, 2004
- Board of Directors Meetings:
 - 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month
- If in doubt about Midland field conditions and use, please call the hotline after 2:00 p.m. at 858-679-1995.
- All personal bats and helmets must meet ASA specifications, have a mask or cage attached, and a chin strap. For additional League rules, check out the new website at www.pgsl.org.

2003–2004 PGSL CALENDAR

General Membership Meetings Walk-In Registration:

Thursday, November 6, 2003

Tuesday, December 9, 2003

Saturday, December 13, 2003

Tuesday, January 6, 2004

December 4 & 18, 2003

January 8 & 15, 2004

February 5 & 26, 2004

March 4 & 18, 2004

April 1 & 22, 2004

June 3 & 17, 2004

December 16, 2004

Saturday, January 10, 2004

Saturday, January 17, 2004

January 19 - 20, 2004

Saturday, January 18, 2004

Saturday, February 28, 2004

April 12-16, 2004

Sunday, May 6, 2004

Saturday, May 15, 2004

Board of Directors Meetings:

Coaches Meetings: Spring Season Tryouts:

Drafts and Team Selection:

Field Day:

Opening Day:

Spring Break:

Nominations for Executive Board Closed:

Closing Day and Executive Board Elections:

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SUMMER HEAT CLASSIC

Our 11th Annual Poway Summer Heat Classic Tournament held June 20 –22 was a great success. We hosted 31 teams from as far as Cypress, Irvine and Ontario. The Tournament started on Friday with the 12U and 14U playing at the Community Center and the 10U and 8U playing at Midland Elementary. Play continued throughout the weekend with the Championship games starting early Sunday morning. The Snack Shack and BBQ were busy as usual. Our girls played tough as usual with the 8U Diamonds taking second place and the 10U and 14U Diamonds taking the Championship in their divisions.

2002 PGSL SCHOLAR ATHLETES

Coaches often tell their players that the game is played with the head, not the hands. Many of our players are not only exceptional athletes, but exceptional students. PGSL has identified those players earning a straight A report card and rewarded each with a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond. Congratulations to the following girls for a great achievement:

Jasmin Badani
Megan Blom
Gabrielle Campos
Alison Curtis
Emily Erich
Gracie Flint
Chloe Gendreau

Stephanie Leisenring
Nicole Loumeau
Danielle Matonis
Sarah McCutcheon
Bailey Moore
Michelle Parrot
Brittney Pham

Kate Pittard
Stacey Shea
Shannon Switzer
Nicole Wood

2003 - 2004 PGSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Board

President	Mike Snell	president@pgsl.org
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PGSL CONTACT INFORMATION

Just a reminder, if you have a question, comment, or problem which cannot be resolved through your coach, you should contact your Division Director. If after contacting your Division Director your issue has still not been resolved to your satisfaction, please contact the appropriate Executive Board Member. All Division Directors and Executive Board Member emails are listed above, and on the PGSL web page (www.pgsl.org) with a direct link to their email address.

2003 ALL STAR RESULTS

- 14U Diamonds- Poway Heat Tournament Champions
 - ASA "C" District Champions
 - ASA "C" Southern CA State Champions
 - ASA Pacific Regional Champions
- 12U Diamonds-Escondido Semi- Finalist
- 10U Diamonds-Scripps Ranch Tournament Champions
 - Poway Heat Tournament Champions
 - ASA "C" District Champions
- 10U Emeralds- 10-16-2 Overall Record
- 8U Diamonds- Poway Heat Finalist
 - ASA "C" District Finalist
- 8U Emeralds- Scripps Ranch Silver Division Champions
- Rancho Bernardo Silver Division Champions

2003 WINTERBALL

The 2003 Winterball season is underway. We have a total of 13 teams this year and they are all off to a great start. All teams play doubleheaders on Sundays. This is a great way for the girls to learn new skills and have a chance to play teams from all over San Diego. Every girl out there should be very proud of themselves. A big "Thank You" to all of our Winterball Players and Coaches!



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2003 Southern California ASA "C" District Champions and Finalist. 14U Poway Diamonds/Champions, 10U Poway Diamonds/Champions, 8U Poway Diamonds/Finalist: Top: 8U Diamonds- Katherine Duran, 14U Diamonds- Gracie Flint, Amber Walter, Sami Doty, Hilary Hopkins, Melissa Martin, Stacy Hainline, Emily Ehrich, Lindsay Grosch, Stephanie Leisenring, Kendall Sallay, Alison Curtis. Middle: 8U Diamonds- Lindsay Ferris, 10U Diamonds-Nicole Johnson, Laurel Duncan, 14U Diamonds- Michelle Parks, Mackenzie Harrington, 10U Diamonds- Kristan Kapitzke, Cara Terlep, Genevieve Stone, Shelley Tibbs, Rebecca Trott, Amy Shea, Cree Issacson. Bottom: 8U Diamonds- Alyssa Orosco, Ashley Johnson, Cassi Vick, Hannah Flint, Lindsay Pelchat, Emily Metz, Brianna Cataldo, Sarah Fitzherbert, Madison thomas, Lacey Douthit, 10U Diamonds- Stephanie Rocco, Amber Wear. Not pictured 8U Diamonds- Coaches Jonathan Fitzherbert, Mike Pelchat, Dave Cataldo and Tom Flint. 10U Diamonds- Tori Thomas, Coaches Dave Johnson, Ted Tibbs, George Bender and Pam Wear. 14U Diamonds-Coaches Don Walters, Steve Leisenring, Greg Parks and Kent Curtis.