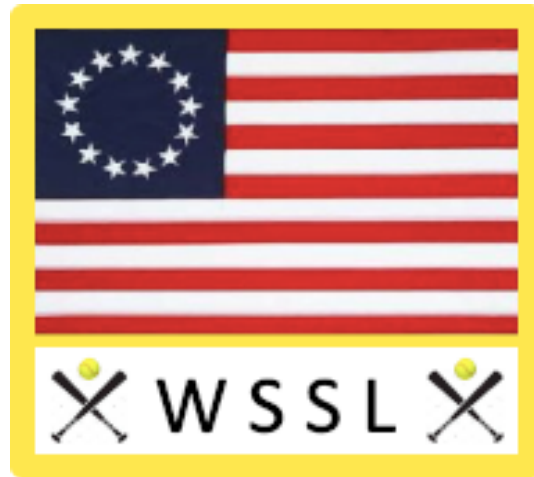


WSSL — Williamsburg Senior Softball League



Membership Business Meeting
January 16, 2020



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2019 Board of Directors

- Jim Ratkus, Commissioner
- John Antretter, Deputy Commish
- Ric Zakour, Secretary
- Mike Kroeger, Treasurer
- Ben Di Vito, Webmaster
- Vacant, Ad Hoc – (more later)

2019 Expectations

- Six sponsors
- Six teams
- 90 members

2020 Reality

- Five sponsors
- Four teams
- Approx. 75 interested players

2019 Season(s)

- Season 1 – April to end of June
 - 3 teams, 24 games/team
 - 35 members
- Season 2 - September to end of October
 - 4 teams, 14 games/team
 - 56 members

Sponsors



Javier Fuentes, Agent



2020 Milestone Dates

- January 16 – Full membership meeting
- February 20 – BoD meeting with managers
- March 3 (approx) – Begin evaluation period
- March 24 (approx) – Final team assignments
- April 14 – 2020 season begins
- October XX – 2020 season finale
- Oct/Nov XX – Banquet?

Managers

- Mike Allen – Both seasons (Practices)
- Bill Punch – Both seasons
- Jamie Kehayes – 1 season
- ?
- ?

2020 Season

- Number of players & teams TBD
- One season
- April 14 through October 29 (incl. rain dates)
- 28 single game dates
- 6 double-header game dates
- Total of 40 games
- 7 week break (48 days) from July 1 through August 17

2020 Calendar

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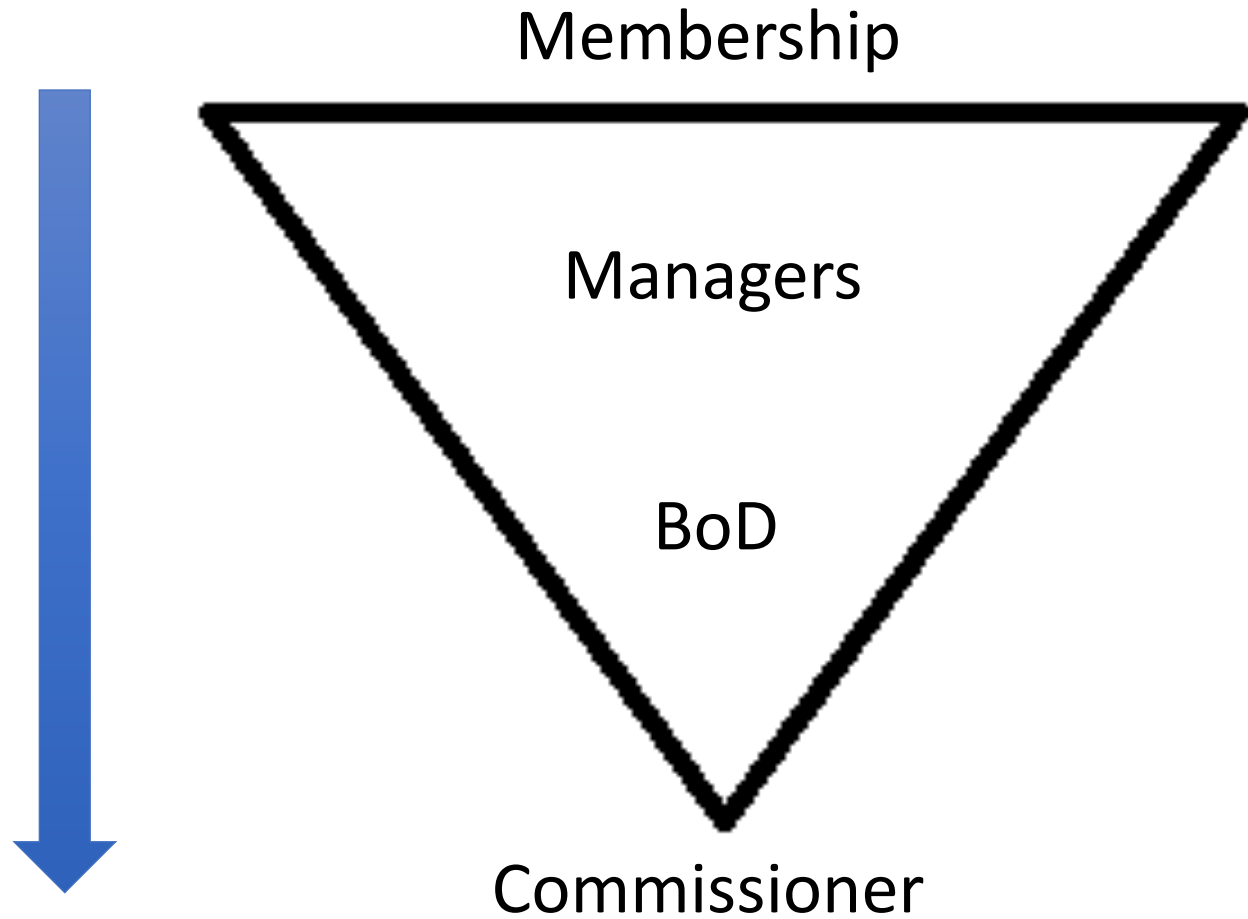
Key: Single games (28) Doubleheaders (6) Rain dates (9) **Totals: 34 dates, 40 games**

In Memoriam

Debbie Robie 9/21/1955 – 5/18/2019



WSSL Hierarchy



- Always recruiting
- Always on the lookout for a sponsor
- New places for lunches after games
- No ideas are off the table for the league
- Members need to be involved
- Board taking a step back from decisions
- Next BoD meeting – Feb 20 with the managers – plans for the season

Ad Hoc Board Member

- Marketing
- Recruiting
- Securing Sponsors
- Public Relations (Facebook)
- Lunch locations
- Volunteers??

We need You!!!

- Get involved -- volunteer
- Looking for volunteers for 2020 teams:
 - A new manager
 - Mike Frost is switching to assistant manager
 - Several new assistant managers



Start Training Today!!!

- Avoiding injuries critical to enjoyment
- Be in the best shape that you can be
- Please start stretching today -- it's what you do everyday that matters



Team Assignments

- All players subject to new team assignments
- A committee of 6 players will select equally balanced teams
- Player availability is a selection factor -- be honest when you declare your availability
- Once teams are compiled, managers will draw for teams
- Trades allowed after process completed

Spring/Fall Financials & 2020 Budget

	Actual Spring	Actual Fall	2020 Budget
Players	37	59	60
Games	24	14	40
Teams	3	4	4
Cash in Bank – Start of Season	\$0	\$459	\$4,001
Revenue:			
Per Person (\$50 for 2020)	\$2,675	\$4,425	\$3,175
Sponsors	\$1,100	\$1,600	\$2,000
Extra Hats and Patches	\$31	\$30	\$0
Totals	\$3,806	\$6,055	\$5,175

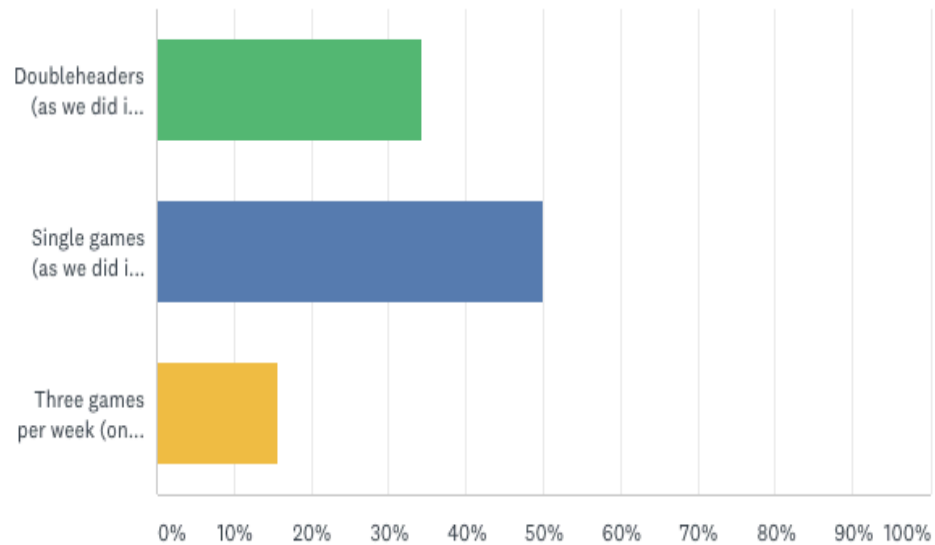
Spring/Fall Financials & 2020 Budget

	Actual Spring	Actual Fall	2020 Budget
Startup Costs:	\$586	\$110	\$0
Per Season Costs:			
Fields	\$490	\$570	\$1,600
Shirts	\$591	\$300	\$550
Caps	\$1,113	\$924	\$0
Balls	\$377	\$255	\$750
Other	\$190	\$354	\$1,130
Total Season Costs	\$2,761	\$2,403	\$4,030
Cash-End of Season	\$459	\$4,001	\$5,146

Membership Survey Results

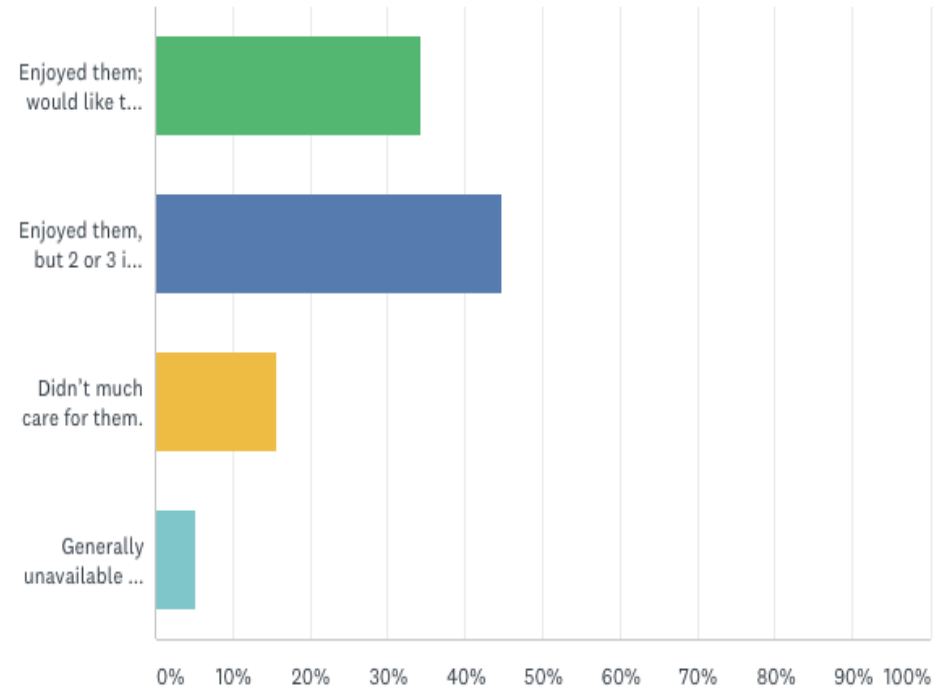
What type of game scheduling do you prefer?

Answered: 38 Skipped: 1



What are your thoughts about night games?

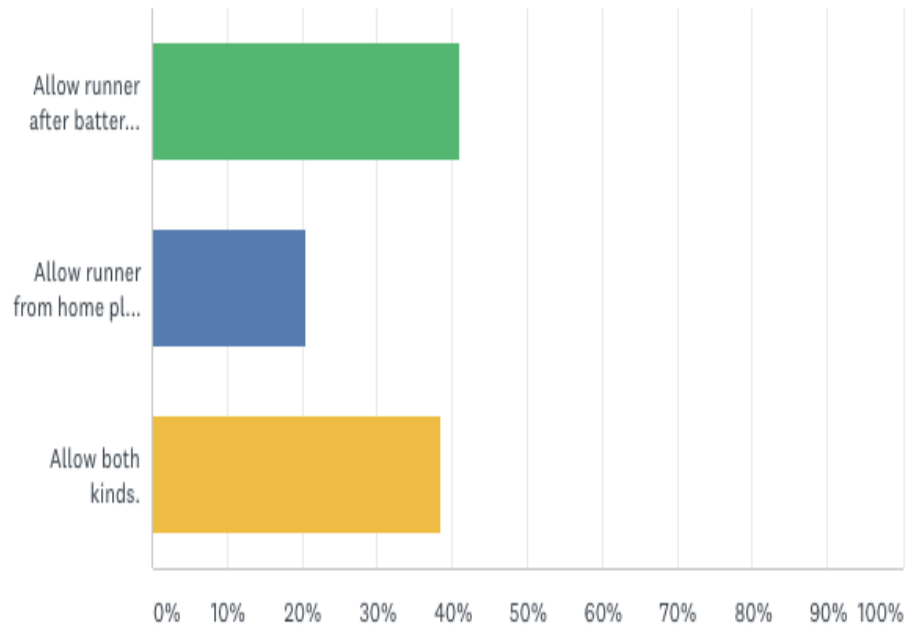
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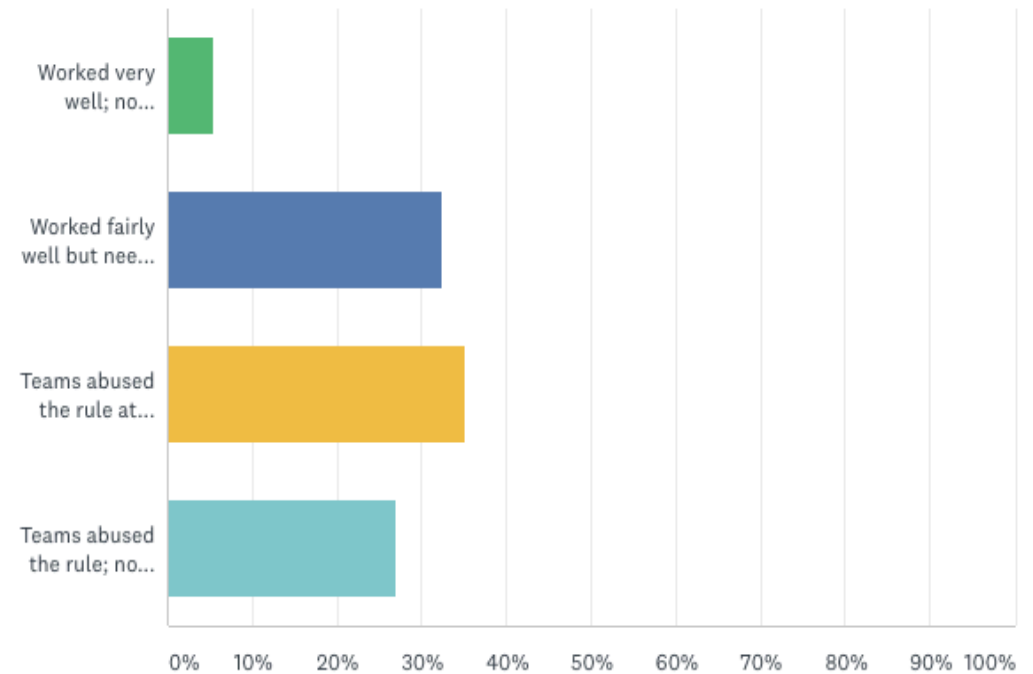
Which type of courtesy runner rule do you favor?

Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



Which of these describes your feelings about how the courtesy runner rule worked during the fall season?

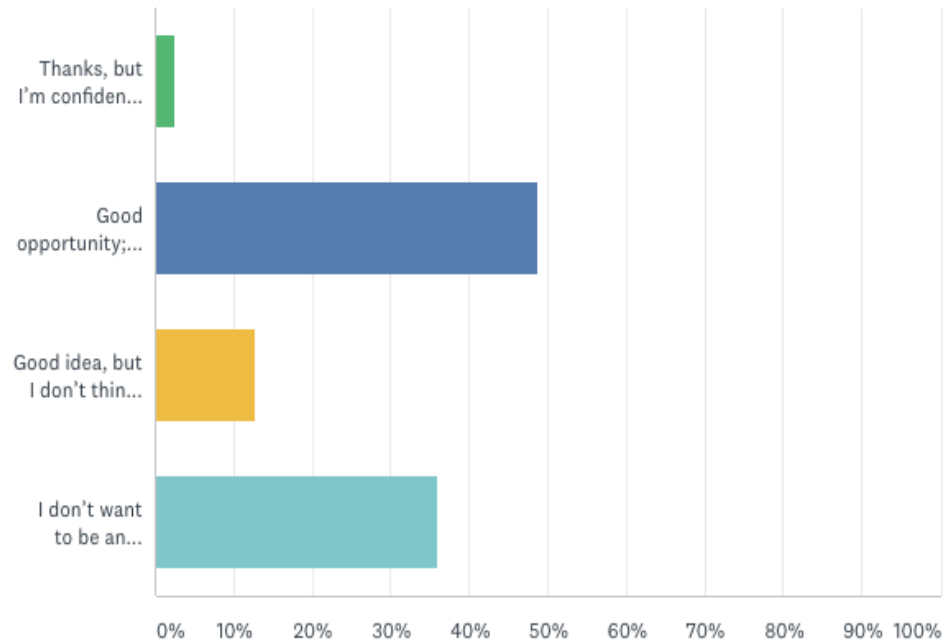
Answered: 37 Skipped: 2



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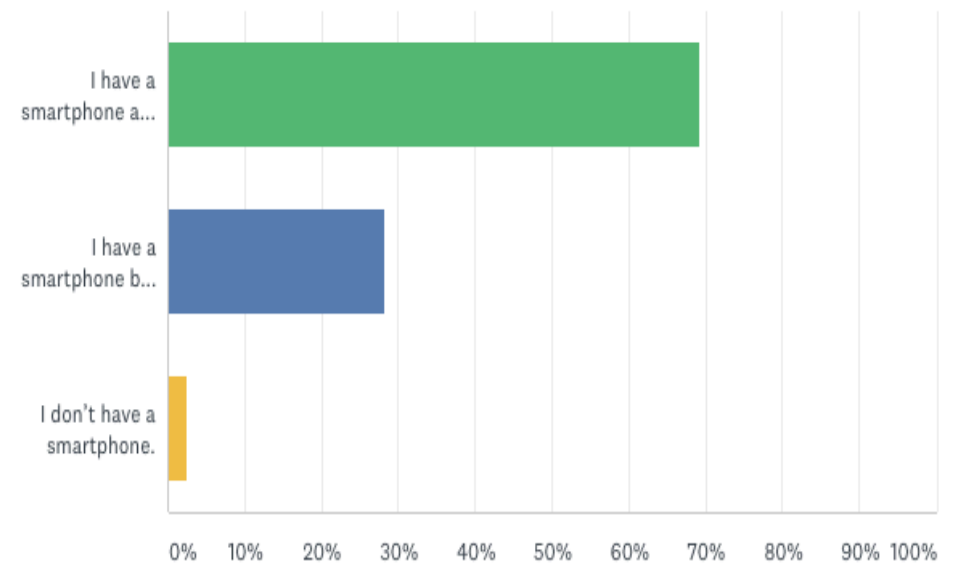
We are hoping to hold an umpire clinic prior to the 2020 season
Which of these describes your attitude about it?

Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



We are considering the use of a smartphone app to improve communication about players' availability for upcoming games
Choose which of these applies to you.

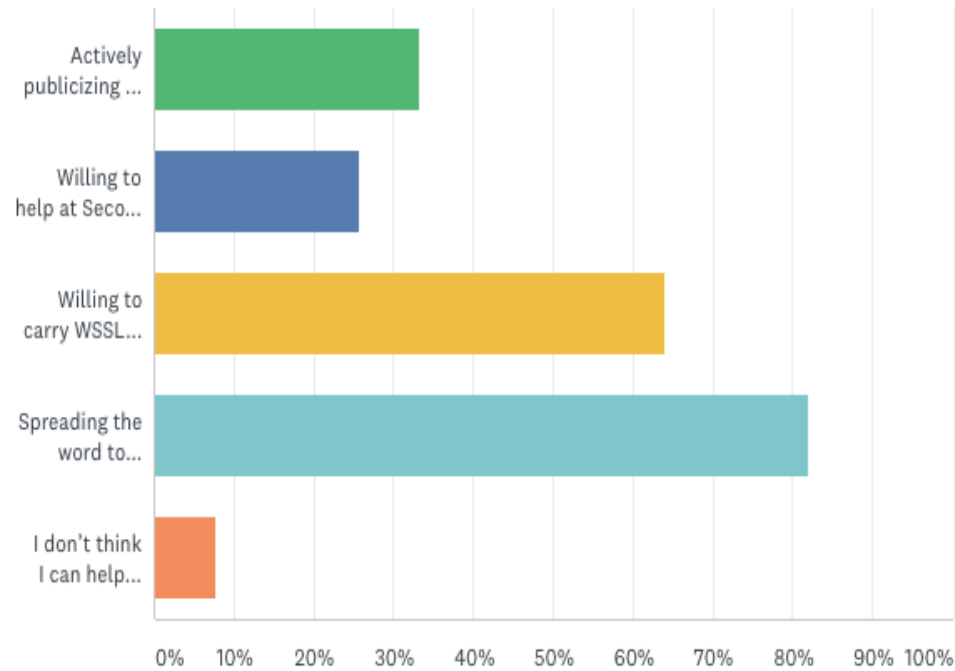
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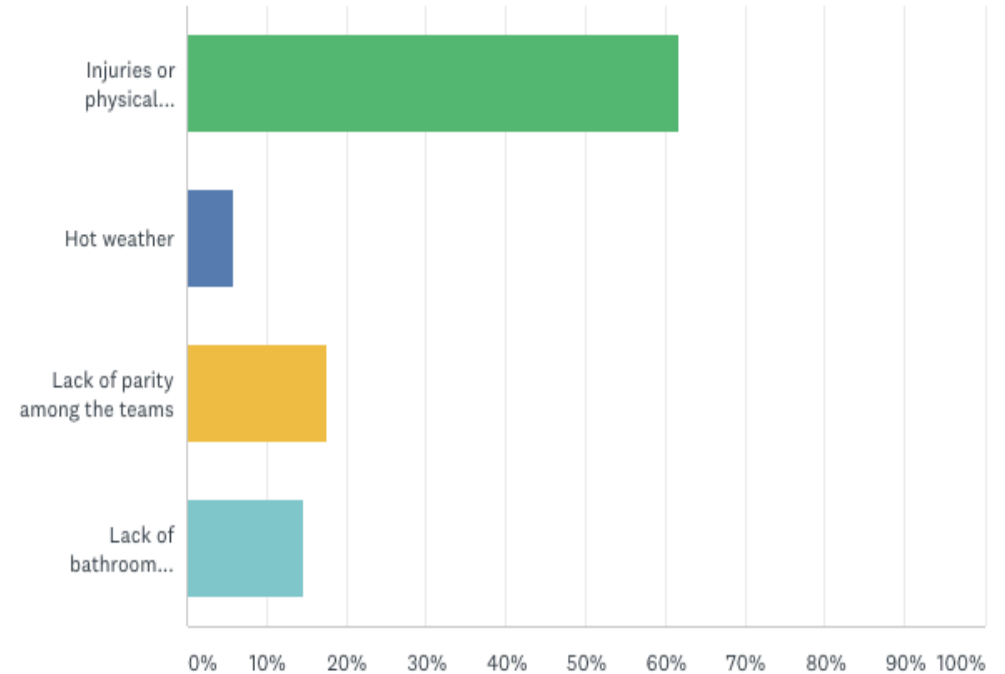
What type of support can you provide to recruit new players 2020 season? (You can choose more than one.)

Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



Which of these factors detracted most from your softball experience this year?

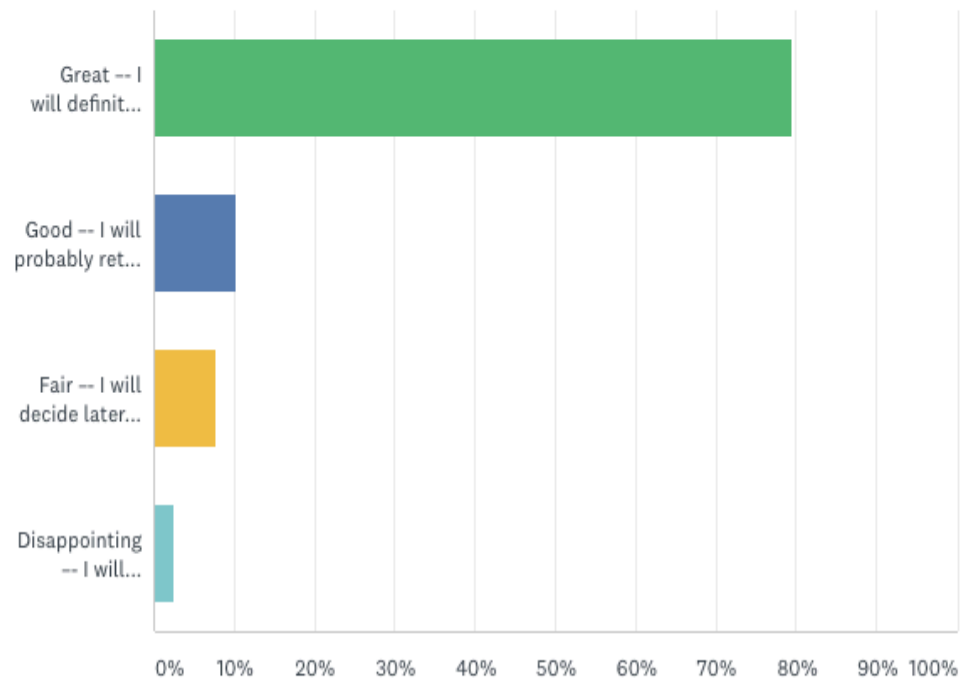
Answered: 34 Skipped: 5



Survey Results (cont'd)

How would you rate your overall experience with the league intentions going forward?

Answered: 39 Skipped: 0



- 39 survey responses
- Thanks to all who responded
- Comments: 18 submitted
 - Includes observations, suggestions, complaints and compliments
 - Will work with managers to address issues raised
- We will post survey results to the website

Website (wsslva.org)

- Website has been up and running since March 2019
- wsslva.org is our own domain
- Navigation and pages adapt to mobile devices
- Day-to-day operation plus information for newcomers
- Please send problem reports and suggestions
- Frank Hefner serves as backup webmaster

Current Website Content

HOME

ABOUT

OPERATION

SEASONS

PLAYERS

DOCUMENTS

CONTACT

- Home: news, links, team standings, events, partners and sponsors
- About: background, goals
- Operation: games, calendar, fields, newcomer info
- Seasons: game schedule, player registration, calendar
- Players: rosters, photo gallery, in memoriam
- Documents: PDF files of league documents
- Contact: email addresses for Board of Directors and managers

Home Page News

Latest News

Off-season practices are taking place as the weather allows. If you'd like be on the notification list, text Mike Allen at 757-784-2655 with your name and number.

The WSSL business meeting will be held Jan 16, 2020 at 10am. Location is JCC Rec Center, room C. All members are strongly encouraged to attend and vote on important league issues.



Quick Links

- [Game schedule and scores](#)
- [Register for 2020](#)

Possible Additions

- WSSL Facebook page
 - Would allow members to post comments, photos, etc.
 - Don't want it to duplicate website content
 - We would need a volunteer to administer the page
- Sports communication app for smartphones
 - Suggestion is to adopt Team App or equivalent
 - Would create a custom app tailored to our league
 - Deferred for now – will study further
- IT committee
 - Might be needed as we grow

Rules Committee

- Carl Borst
- Mike Allen
- Tom Garcia
- Jamie Kehayes
- Billy Wagner
- Tony Zotto

Rules Changes*

- 8.5.1 Courtesy Runner from Home
- 8.15 Errant Throw
- 13 Player Substitutions from Other Teams

* These Rules changes are highlighted in yellow in Rules and Procedures Manual Rev 2.0 posted on the WSSL web site

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