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CNLL Year in Review/Annual Report 2022

Note: Board Calendar Year 2022 (10/1/2021 - 9/30/2022)

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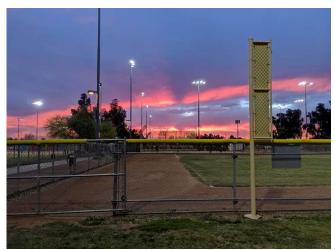
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Year in review:





League Administration items in 2022:

- 1) Continued efforts to transition our Board Member documentation shortage repository within Microsoft Office 365 SharePoint which was started in the Fall of 2019. Most records have been updated within 365 to preserve continuity of board members duties and responsibilities from year to year.
- 2) Chandler American Little League played a portion of their season against CNLL within our AA and Major divisions. This was the second consecutive Spring season in CALL has played alongside of CNLL.

League Overview

Chandler National Little League is a charter member of Little League International, the largest volunteer organization in the world. Everyone from the board of directors, managers, and coaches volunteer countless hours to give our players and families the best youth baseball experience possible.

Chandler National Little League aspires to be an outstanding educational-athletic organization that provides a high-quality experience, in which every athlete:

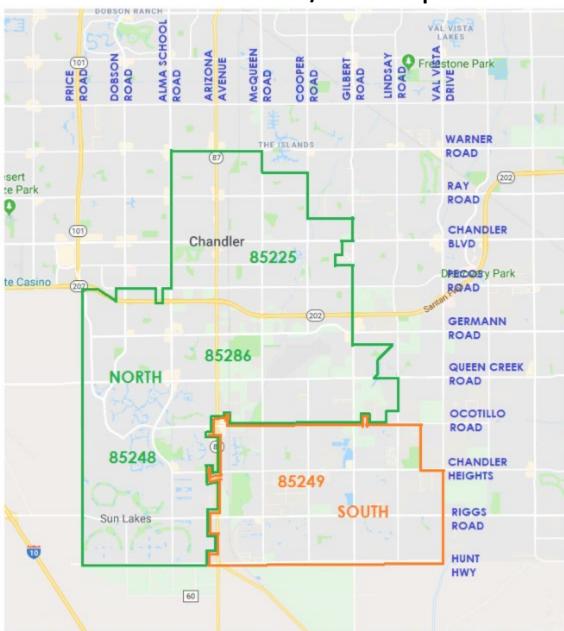
- o Has fun playing the game while learning the game
- o Feels like an important part of the team regardless of performance
- o Learns "life lessons" that have value beyond the playing field
- o Learns the skills, tactics and strategies of the game and improves as a player.

We recognize coaches most directly make this possible, so we provide coaches with the tools to succeed as Little League Coaches. We are committed to creating a culture in which coaches, parents, fans, umpires and athletes work together to achieve our mission.

Chandler National has the following divisions for boys and girls to participate in:

- Rookie ball Includes T-Ball for league ages of 4-6; teams are randomly assigned with coach input
- o A Division Includes coach pitch for league ages of 7 8; teams are randomly assigned with coach input
- \circ AA Division Includes kid pitching for league ages of 9-10 (and 8-year olds by try out only); teams are drafted by managers
- o AAA Division –For league ages 9-11; teams are drafted by managers
- Majors Division For league ages 11-12; teams are drafted by managers; most competitive division of our Little League divisions
- Juniors Division For league ages 13 14; teams are drafted by managers. Teams compete against Juniors teams from all Districts in the State of Arizona.
- Seniors Division For league ages 13 16, and teams are drafted by managers. Teams compete against Seniors teams from other District 13 leagues.
- Challenger Division For boys and girls with physical and mental challenges that allows them to participate in the game of baseball. This Challenger division was started by Little League in 1989 and was started at Chandler National in 2016.

During our Spring season and based on Little League rules, to participate in Chandler National, athletes must either live in certain zip codes (85225, 85286, 85248, 85249), or go to a school within one of these zip codes. Even though Chandler National is one Little League, we have two organizations within the league (Chandler National North and Chandler National South) as stipulated by our Little League boundary definition because of the size of our league. The North/South is transparent to the execution of our league except for Little League All Stars (Spring season boundary/participation defines which All Star division you are eligible for). Spring teams will be drafted with either all North or all South players but compete against all teams during the Spring Season. A map of the CNLL boundaries, North vs. South Boundaries, and a reference to the CNLL schools in our boundaries is listed below. Note: our Fall Season does not require CNLL to comply with those same geographic/school boundaries.



Players who attend a school located within the CNLL boundaries are eligile (LL form required):

Elementary schools: Basha, Bologna, Carlson, CTA Humphrey, CTA Independence, CTA Liberty,
Frye, Fulton, Galveston, Haley, Hancock, Hartford, Hull, Jacobsen, Knox, Navarette, Ryan, Sanborn,
San Marcos, San Tan, Shumway, Tarwater

Junior High schools: Bogle, San Tan, Willis

High schools: Chandler, Hamilton, Basha

Other: AZ College Prep-Oakland Campus, Hill Learning Academy

The Spring 2022 season started for Divisions of AA, AAA, Majors, and Juniors following February 2022 player evaluations, and teams were drafted and assigned by the end of February 2022. Rookie and A division teams were assigned in February 2022.

League games started March 20, 2022, with an opening day parade of the children, on-site vendors, and several teams representing each division playing their first games of the season.

The 2022 registration by division, is listed below.

Division
Challenger
Juniors
Majors
AAA
AA
Α
Rookie

Totals

Spring 22	Fall 21
23	21
28	14
132	76
85	72
132	72
149	88
134	58
683	401

There were a combined 91 Chandler National teams participating over the Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 seasons.

Division
Challenger
Juniors
Majors
AAA
AA
Α
Rookie

Totals

Spring 22	Fall 21
3	3
2	1
11	6
7	6
11	6
12	7
11	5
57	34

Financial Status – Overview

- \circ $\,$ Chandler National financials for the current report are managed based on a fiscal tax year
- of October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022.
 - During this period, total income was approximately \$183.344. The main sources of

income for the league were:

- 60% Registration fees
- 26% Sponsorship fees
- 10% Fund raising projects and other
- 4% Corporate Donations
- o During this period (October 2021 through September 2022), total league expenses were approximately \$184,339. We had a short fall of -\$995. We did have in an increase in overall revenue over 2021 and well as dealing with rising cost from our vendors/suppliers. We did have an increase in player registrations, increased sponsorships and be brought back our mid-season Jamboree. This is the leagues largest fundraiser. We also were able to have a true Opening Day celebration.

The main expenses for the league were incurred prior to the start of the Spring season where our registration is larger than in the fall:

- 59% Baseball equipment, uniforms, umpires and supplies
- 25% Utilities, field cost, light fees, professional fees
- 16% Other expenses, which include Charter fees, Insurance, Advertising, Maintenance, Office Expense, Tournament fees, etc.
- At the fiscal yearend reporting period, the following current asset balances were as follow:
- Wells Fargo Checking \$81,241.66
 - Uncleared Checks \$1,320
 - Wells Fargo Savings approximately \$10,332.56
- Of note: the following known expenses are still planned for calendar year 2022, prior to the start of the Spring 2023 season planning, thus requiring liquidity in our checking account:

□ 2023 Charter Fees	\$ 6,000
- 2023 Spring Uniforms	\$ 14,000
 2023 Spring Practice Jerseys 	\$ 6,000
- 2023 Equipment	\$ 6,000
• Potential Field/ Equipment repairs on field 7, 8, 9, 10	\$15,000
 Misc. (printing / administration for Spring season) 	\$ 2,000
 Lights for Fall Ball 2022 	\$ 7,000
 Umps for Fall Ball 2022 	\$ 4,000
□ Total	\$ 60,000

Activities:

Spring Season Opening Day 3/26/2022:

Highlights of the day were:

- Parade of Teams walking onto field 10
- Visit from Sparky

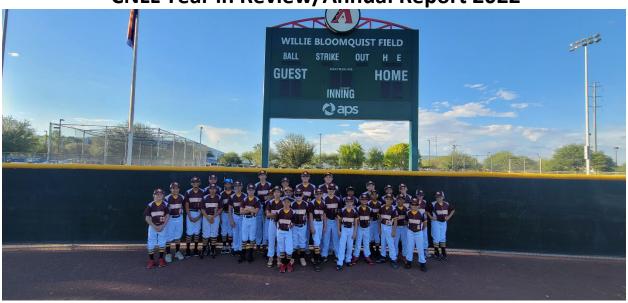
• Return of the 2021 12U All Star District 13 Champions and Top 2 State of Arizona

Other pictures from opening day:



Spring Additional Activities:

1) Spring 2022 Jamboree - This year we brought back the Jamboree silent auction. We were able to raise over \$7,500 to help offset the cost of maintaining the fields, paying umpires, lights, uniforms, and other necessary equipment.



Fall Ball 2021 Champions (November 2021):

A Division - Dodgers

"Minors" (AA/AAA) – Red

Major Division - Giants

Sox

2022 Spring Season Champions

Our end of season league championship games was held in May 2022. The following are the champions by division:

A Division - Brewers



AA Division - Orioles



AAA Division - Royals

Major Division - Dodgers





CNLL All Stars:

Seven teams represented CNLL in the All Star season of the District 13 tournament this summer: 10U North, 10U South, 11U North, 11U South, 12U North, and 12U South. These teams competed against the top baseball players from the Little Leagues in District 13, which consists of Chandler National (2 team representatives in Little League divisions of North and South), Chandler American, Tempe South, Tempe-Rio Salado, Tempe-Guadalupe, and Ahwatukee.

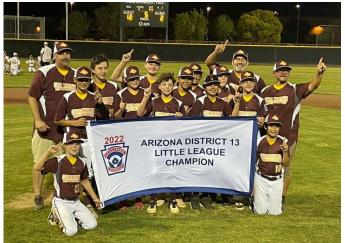


Entering this season, CNLL had won the

District 13 12U tournament in 8 consecutive seasons from 2013 – 2021, with the CNLL North winning in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021 and the South winning in 2013 and 2018. Within those 6 seasons, CNLL was the Arizona State Champion 4 times earning a birth to the Western Regional Tournament in San Bernardino, CA. (North in 2014, 2015, 2017; South in 2013). CNLL also sent two teams to the Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA, in 2003 and 2007.

During this 2022 All Star Tournament, Chandler National had 4 of its 6 teams represented in the District 13 Championships for all 3 Little League divisions.

Our 10U North team defeated Ahwatukee in the District 13 Finals and was eliminated in the 2nd



Our 11U North team lost the District 13 tournament to Ahwatukee in a rematch of the previous year's district championship

round of the Arizona State tournament.

game.

Our 12U North team also won the District 13 tournament, going undefeated during the tournament and defeating the CNLL 12U South team. Unfortunately, they were eliminated in the 3rd round of the state tournament.

Umpires:

The umpiring system at CNLL revolves around a group of individuals who are both highly experienced and very new. CNLL staffs umpires for the Divisions of AA, AAA, Majors and Juniors/Seniors. In addition, many CNLL umpires work for other organizations and have experience officiating baseball up to the college level. Newer umpires will typically be assigned to lower divisions, with the more seasoned umpires umpiring the Majors and Juniors Division, where more Little League rules come into play and more competitive baseball is involved. CNLL uses a software program for scheduling umpires to their games during the season.

Facts about our 2022 umpires:

- o There are over 60 umpires in our league
- o The ages of our umpires range from 13 to 66
- o The experience level of our umpires ranges from 0 to 50 years
- O Umpires work an average of two games per week
- o Each umpire has completed a Little League-sponsored Mechanics clinic
- o Each umpire must pass an annual comprehensive rules test
- New umpires are required to work pre-season games under the supervision of our Umpire-in-Chief for additional training and experience
- o Umpires can progress from AA to Majors/Juniors as they gain experience

If you would like more information about our umpires or how to become an umpire, please contact us by email at UmpireInChief@chandlernational.com.

Challenger Division:

In 2022, we entered our seventh season of offering the Challenger Division to our surrounding community. The Challenger Division was established by Little League in 1989, and offers the opportunity for boys and girls with physical and mental challenges to participate in the game of baseball. Teams in CNLL are formed according to player abilities, rather than age. It is CNLL's goal to provide more than the skills of baseball learned through the experience, but benefits through socialization in participating in sports, the strengthening of a player's self-esteem, the disciplines of teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play. Challenger Division games have been played over the last several years against other CNLL teams, or against other Challenger division teams. The CNLL BOD couldn't be prouder of the growth and look to continue to grow this program in the future.

Season highlights:

- There were 8 teams this year in both the Spring and Fall with a combined registration of 70+ participants
- O This year was the second season that our Challenger team participated in the District 13 All Star tournament held at Tempe Sports Complex. Our participants were able to play an exhibition game against All-star representatives from all districts represented in this year's tournament, including Chandler National North, Chandler National South, Chandler American, Tempe South, Rio Salado, and Ahwatukee (Tempe Guadalupe did not participate in All Stars this summer).
- The Challenger program continues to reach out to the local high schools for volunteer support. In 2022, American Leadership Academy, Arizona College Prep, Basha HS, Casteel HS, Chandler HS, and Perry HS all have volunteered to get their baseball programs out to support the Challenger division.

If you would like more information about this exciting program or how you can get involved for the upcoming season, please contact us by email at challengerdivision@chandlernational.com.

CNLL Participants Drafted by MLB:

The following are some recent CNLL participants who have been drafted by MLB.

Athlete	Last Year in CNLL	Year Drafted	Drafted By
Cody Bellinger	2007	2013	LA Dodgers
Patrick Murphy	2007	2013	Toronto Blue Jays
Matt Haggerty	2007	2013	LA Dodgers
Tyler Watson	2008	2013	Washington Nationals
Casey Legumina	2008	2016	Toronto Blue Jays

Austin Filiere	2008	2017	Chicago Cubs
Cole Bellinger	2009	2017	San Diego Padres
Trevor Hauver	2009	2017 2020	KC Royals New York Yankees
Sean Rackoski	2008	2018	Toronto Blue Jays
Jake Wong	2009	2018	SF Giants
Brock Selvidge	2015	2021	New York Yankees

A Special Thank you to our 2022 CNLL Spring Season Sponsors:

Thank you to the companies who sponsored our league this season. Sponsorships offset a portion of league expenses each year, allowing us to keep registrations lower, and keep CNLL as an affordable baseball experience for kids in the Chandler community.

2022 Sponsors

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Year-end Summary/Conclusion

This was a rewarding year in that we were able to return to a sense of normalcy this past year. It was so good to see so many kids, parents, and families back out at the ballpark supporting "America's greatest pastime!"

The CNLL Board of Directors is 100% volunteer based. There is no greater feeling than watching kids play baseball again in the City of Chandler.

Next year, we will continue to count on the great families, community sponsors, and almost 1,000 League-wide volunteers that make this league run. We believe the league is well positioned for baseball in the 2023 season and beyond.

Respectfully submitted, Jason McDonnell, Secretary