

# O.A.S.A. High & Inside

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **SPRINGBOARD INTO THE FASTBALL SEASON**

The O.A.S.A. is introducing a new program "Springboard" allowing Coaches and players and Association to see what's available to them this coming season.

We will be offering snapshots of getting players ready, your teams signed up and insured. You can talk to an Umpire to ask questions of new and old rules. You can see what Softball Ontario has to offer in clinics to be an Umpire, Coach. Learn how to increase your numbers through new and creative programs.

Come out and ask coaches who have been to Canadians and talk with coaches who help build Team Ontario. These events will be held in **Napanee on April 17<sup>th</sup>** and **Kitchener on April 24<sup>th</sup>** See our web site to register [www.oasa.ca](http://www.oasa.ca) and for more information of these two great events.

Will have corporate sponsors' on site for you to see the latest in new equipment being offered. We are also offering Hitting techniques, pitching and catching, proper warm ups to start a game and lots more. This is a no cost event. So make plans to attend.

Larry Sherwin [sherlar@sympatico.ca](mailto:sherlar@sympatico.ca) 905-373-0337

## MINOR COMMITTEE

The OASA Minor Committee is now making plans for the upcoming OA tournament season. We plan to offer two quality OASA tournaments for our five minor divisions plus a Provincial tournament for our Junior Mite division and a single Provincial tournament for each of our five Select divisions.

With the help of our affiliated centres host sites have been secured for our three Elimination tournaments and the majority of our Provincial and Qualifier tournaments. If your centre might be interested in hosting one of the remaining OA tournaments this summer please contact the OA secretary. At [lat@love-a-tree.com](mailto:lat@love-a-tree.com) 705-549-2485

The Minor Committee will be meeting in early March to continue planning for the upcoming season. Minor Committee members will also be at the OASA Springboard Into The Fastball Season in April. You are

welcome to contact any minor committee member if you have any questions or concerns about our upcoming season. We look forward to working with our affiliated centres to offer a competitive and fun level of fastball play for our Ontario ball players for the 2010 season.

Bruce Young bruce\_h\_young@teksavvy.com 519-884-6960

## **AFFILIATIONS**

*It is that time again to affiliate you team. Affiliations forms are available on the web-site or you can contact me directly. The due dates for affiliation are:*

*Pee Wee, Bantam, Midget & Jr. Men – May 25*

*Intermediate Men, Senior Men & Masters – June 10*

*Jr. Mite, Mite and Squirt – June 15*

*Mary Myers OASA Registrar – [mjnm@sympatico.ca](mailto:mjnm@sympatico.ca) 905-727-5139*

## **MEN'S COMMITTEE**

### **GREAT LAKE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**July 30 to August 2**

**Waterloo Ontario**

**Hillside Park**

*The Ontario Amateur Softball Association announces a new tournament for intermediate men's teams in Canada and the United States.*

*The first 16 teams to enter will be placed in four divisions and will play a round robin preliminary round. The top 2 teams in each division will then enter a single elimination playoff round*

*There will be \$7000 in travel expense money (based on 16 teams). The winner of each game will receive a portion of the travel expense money. The travel expense money is open to all teams in the tournament*

*The top ranking team with a roster of Ontario players only will be eligible for a berth in the **2011 ISC tournament** and will be declared the Ontario Intermediate A Provincial Champion.*

*All men's teams are eligible with the following exceptions:*

*Teams and players that played in:*

*2009 Softball Canada Senior Men's Championship*

*2009 ISC World Championship*

2009 ASA Men's Major Championship

NAFA Open Championship

For eligibility questions contact Brad Thomson at [thomson.brad@gmail.com](mailto:thomson.brad@gmail.com)

Or George Ryder

Entry fee is \$500 payable to the OASA with rosters accompanying the entry fee. The deadline is June 10 and roster changes may be made until one week before the tournament. For entry forms contact OASA Registrar Mary Myers at [mjnm@sympatico.ca](mailto:mjnm@sympatico.ca)

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### TOURNAMENT DATES AND LOCATIONS

<b>ELIMINATIONS</b>		
<i>Pee Wee</i>	<i>Napanee</i>	<i>June 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Bantam</i>	<i>Mitchell</i>	<i>July 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Midget</i>	<i>Owen Sound</i>	<i>June 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Junior "A"</i>	<i>Cobourg</i>	<i>July 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Sr/Int. Men's</i>	<i>Kitchener/Waterloo</i>	<i>July 30<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1<sup>st</sup></i>
<b>PROVINCIALS</b>		
<i>Jr. Mite</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Mite A/B</i>	<i>Palmerston</i>	<i>Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Squirt</i>	<i>Toanche</i>	<i>Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Squirt</i>	<i>New Hamburg</i>	<i>Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Pee Wee</i>	<i>Port Perry</i>	<i>Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Pee Wee</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Bantam</i>	<i>Kitchener/Waterloo</i>	<i>Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Bantam</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Midget "A"</i>	<i>Sydenham</i>	<i>July 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Midget B/C</i>	<i>Colborne</i>	<i>Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Junior B/C</i>	<i>Ponsonby</i>	<i>July 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Men's B/C</i>	<i>Colborne</i>	<i>Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup></i>
<i>Masters</i>	<i>Niagara Falls</i>	<i>July 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup></i>
<b>Qualifiers</b>		
<i>Mite</i>	<i>Port Perry</i>	<i>July 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Mite</i>	<i>Waterloo</i>	<i>July 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Squirt</i>	<i>Port Perry</i>	<i>July 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Squirt</i>	<i>Brantford</i>	<i>July 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup></i>

## AWARDS

### F.R.FEAVER MEMORIAL AWARD

Frank Feaver, O.A.S.A. Secretary 1943 to 1956, was a pillar in O.A.S.A. Softball.

The award is presented to a player, official or officer of any league or association, who, in the opinion of the Feaver Awards Committee, has made an outstanding contribution to the game of softball.

A candidate for this award must be nominated and said nomination forwarded to the O.A.S.A. Secretary.

There are many, many deserving individuals who have served and are still serving in softball communities across Ontario. However, a candidate, to be considered, must be nominated.

Surely there must be someone in your softball community deserving of the F.R. Feaver Award.

Nominations and supporting resume must, annually, be received in the office of the O.A.S.A. Secretary by June 15th.

F.R. Feaver Awards Committee

## INSURANCE

O.A.S.A. team insurance is available by selecting the application on the O.A.S.A. website [www.oasa.ca](http://www.oasa.ca) or by contacting Ron and Sharon Taylor [srtaylor@heydon.com](mailto:srtaylor@heydon.com) 705-778-2637

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*Please send your news article/stories/tournament information to Paddy Fitzgerald-Nolan [fitznol@hotmail.com](mailto:fitznol@hotmail.com) by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.*

*If you know of anyone interested in receiving the High & Inside electronically please send an email to [jeffgeddes@sympatico.ca](mailto:jeffgeddes@sympatico.ca)*