

# **Petaluma Valley Little League**

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## **2020 Information Packet**

**T-Ball** *(Age 4-7)*

**Little League** *(Age 6-12)*

**Intermediate 50/70** *(Age 13)*

**Junior Division** *(Age 13-14)*

**Senior Division** *(Age 14-16)*

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## 2020 PVLL President's Letter

To PVLL Parents, Alumni, and Players both Returning and Prospective,

My name is Chris Andres and I have been given the privilege to serve as your President for the 2020 Petaluma Valley Little League season. This will be my sixth year in the League, not including the five or so years I played here in my youth decades ago. In the first five years, I have coached and managed in both the Mini and Minor Divisions and have been an active board member, including being the Vice President in 2019. I have had the opportunity to work with some great coaches and managers, make some lifelong friends and hopefully made a positive lasting impact on many of the players. Both of my boys this year will be playing in the Major Division, with my oldest son playing his last year in Little League. I look forward to serving our PVLL baseball community, and growing our program and children together.

It is my pleasure to announce that registration for our 2020 season is now open. This year, the Board and I are once again excited to offer T-Ball for players age 4-6. We hope to grow a robust T-Ball division that follows Little League International's well established T-Ball program. That program, as well as the rest of our League, will focus on the fundamentals of baseball, fun and fitness, while we cultivate children that love and appreciate the game.

The Board and I have been working hard over the past three months to fulfill previous obligations and guide the direction of PVLL for the upcoming season. As always, there is need for help in all aspects of our program. Our League is only as good as the individuals that give their time and talents to contribute to the rich history and treasured past PVLL Boards and participants have handed-off to us. There are many opportunities for you to participate throughout the season that we will be sharing with you through our website and social media outlets. Currently, we are focused on ensuring the League continues to be in compliance with Little League International's rules and guidelines. We are also signing up sponsors for the upcoming season to ensure our financial commitments are met, and that the fields and equipment get the funding they need. Opportunities to sponsor, both for teams or general sponsorship can be found on our website's Sponsorship page.

Finally, I cannot stress enough that the League becomes what the members—the Board, parents, players, umpires, coaches—make out of it. The Board is committed to hearing, understanding and acting upon feedback given to us by both the players and their parents. We want to ensure that the Little League motto is not just a collection of words but that it is core to what we are doing as a League at all levels, and core to what we teach our boys and girls.

I am looking forward to a successful 2020 season where we see the growth of our youth in their ability and love for the game. If you have questions or concerns please reach out to us at [pvllinformation@gmail.com](mailto:pvllinformation@gmail.com).

Thank you,

*Chris Andres*

Chris Andres  
PVLL President

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*(As of October 1, 2019)*

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## 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ALL DATES ARE TENTATIVE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
<b>January</b>	<b>7 Little League Registration</b>	<b>6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	<b>DICK'S Sporting Goods</b>
	<b>11 Little League Registration</b>	<b>3:00pm-6:00pm</b>	<b>DICK'S Sporting Goods</b>
	<b>14 Little League Registration</b>	<b>6:00pm-8:00pm</b>	<b>DICK'S Sporting Goods</b>
	25 LATE Little League Registration	9:00am-10:00am	East Washington Park, Field 3
	<b>25 PVLL Readiness Clinic</b> <i>(FREE, and open to ALL new and returning PVLL registered players from T-Ball through Majors)</i>	<b>10:00am-12:00pm</b>	<b>East Washington Park, Field 3</b>
<b>February</b>	1 FINAL Little League Registration	8:00am-2:00pm	Lucchesi Park Turf Field
	<b>1 LL Skills Assessment (Tryouts)</b> <i>(8-9 year-olds @ 8:30am, 10-11 year-olds @ 10:45pm, 12 year-olds &amp; Returning Major @ 1:00pm)</i>	<b>8:00am-2:00pm</b>	<b>Lucchesi Park Turf Field</b>
	3 LL Major Draft	6:30pm	TBA
	6 LL Minor Draft	6:30pm	TBA
	8 6-8 Minor / T-Ball Team Selection	TBA	TBA
	22 PVLL Safety Workshop	8:30am-9:30am	Petaluma Junior HS Multi-Use
	22 District 35 LL Rules Clinic	9:30pm-1:30pm	Petaluma Junior HS Multi-Use
	23 District 35 Umpire Field Clinic	9:00am-2:00pm	Carter Field (PNLL)
<b>March</b>	<b>2 PVLL Cap Night</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>Lagunitas (1280 N. McDowell Blvd.)</b>
	<b>7 PVLL Opening Day Ceremonies</b>	<b>9:00am-9:30am</b>	<b>Murphy Field</b>
	16-22 Spring Break <i>(no games scheduled)</i>		
<b>April</b>	19 League-Wide Picture Day	TBA	Murphy Field
	<b>19 Family Fun Day/Skills Competition</b>	<b>11:00am-3:00pm</b>	<b>Murphy Field</b>
<b>May</b>	26-31 Little League Major Division "Double-Elimination" Championship Playoffs		
	22-June 6 Little League Minor Division Championship Playoffs <i>(all Minor teams participate)</i>		
<b>June</b>	<b>6-20 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Petaluma City Major Championship Tournament</b> <i>(all Major teams play)</i>		
	22-25 District 35 Tournament of Champions		
<b>July</b>	2-12 District 35 "All-Star" Tournaments		
	16-22 "Sectional" All-Star Tournaments		
	25-August 2 Northern California "State" Tournaments		
<b>August</b>	9-15 Western Regional Little League Tournament <i>(at San Bernadino, CA)</i>		
	20-30 Little League World Series <i>(at Williamsport, PA)</i>		
<b>Sept.</b>	<b>30 PVLL General Membership Meeting</b>	<b>7:30pm-8:30pm</b>	<b>Lucchesi Center</b> <i>(as of January 5, 2020)</i>

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## 2020 SKILLS ASSESSMENT INFORMATION SHEET

### LITTLE LEAGUE (ALL PLAYERS AGE 8-12)

#### Times & Dates

At this time we would like to welcome our players and parents to the 2020 baseball season. Your child will participate in a Skills Assessment (for team placement) on Saturday, February 1. The Skills Assessment site is **Lucchesi Park Turf Field.** (This is an all-artificial turf field so please wear athletic or turf shoes only.) We realize that many of the players may have youth basketball games that day. The times indicated below are the ones selected for your child's age group. If this particular time is difficult, your child may try-out at any of the other posted times that day. **All prospective players MUST participate in the Skills Assessment.** Here is the skills assessment schedule:

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>League Age</u>
Saturday	February 1	8:30am	8-9 (Age on August 31, 2020)
Saturday	February 1	10:45am	10-11 (Age on August 31, 2020)
Saturday	February 1	1:00pm	12 (Age on August 31, 2020)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 1</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>	<b>Returning Major</b>

Please plan for your child to attend one of the time periods. **Players should arrive 30 minutes before their scheduled time to check-in and warm-up. If it is impossible for your child to participate on this day, please contact one of the directors listed below as soon as possible.**

#### What Happens at Tryouts?

After checking in and warming up, the players will run through a series of three drills. These drills will test their coordination and ability to: 1.) catch grounders and make short throws, 2.) catch flies and make longer throws, and 3.) swing a bat. It is a good idea to wear comfortable clothes that will allow the child to perform.

The following table gives you an overview of which level your child is trying-out for:

	<u>12 Year-Olds</u>	<u>11 Year-Olds</u>	<u>10 Year-Olds</u>	<u>9 Year-Olds</u>	<u>8 Year-Olds</u>
LL Major	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
8-11 Minor	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Note:** All Returning Major Division Players and all 12 year-olds **MUST** be drafted to Major Division teams.

**Note:** 9-12 year-olds **must** participate in assessments. 8 year-olds **may** try-out for 8-11 Minor if they wish. 8 year-olds that do try-out but are not selected to an 8-11 Minor team will play in the 6-8 Minor Division. 6 and 7 year-olds do not try-out and are placed on 6-8 Minor-Machine Pitch team (or T-Ball team) by the League.

#### When Will We Be Notified?

The Major Division draft is held on the Monday or Tuesday following the assessments and the 8-11 Minor Division draft is held a few days later. You should be notified soon after these draft meetings. If you have not been notified after one full week, please call one of the directors listed below. We hope the 2020 baseball season will be a rewarding one for your child.

**NOTE:** If it is raining, **please check anyway.** Light rain or intermittent showers will not stop assessments. If it is raining heavily, our rain date will be Sunday, February 2; same times.

**Mike Headley**, Information Officer  
(707) 799-5227

**Jimmy Gallagher**, Player Agent  
(707) 477-5664

# PVLL Cap Night



**Save the date:  
Monday, March 2, 2020**

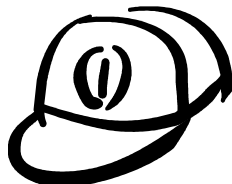


## **PVLL Cap Night**

**Place:** Lagunitas (*1280 N. McDowell Blvd.*)

**Time:** T-Ball (*TBA*)  
Mini Division (*TBA*)  
Minor Division (*TBA*)  
Major Division (*TBA*)

Team Introductions  
Players receive their Team Hats  
Lots of cool Raffle Prizes





**PVLL  
Family Fun  
& Picture  
Day**



**Save the date:**

**Sunday, April 19, 2020**



**Place: Murphy Field**

**Time: 11am - 3pm**

2020 Team Pictures

Player Skills Competition

Something for everyone in the family...

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## 2020 Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

The objective of the PVLL shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens. All adults associated with the PVLL shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance.

We all have our own set of responsibilities and expectations that we must make every effort to meet or exceed. The following are the PVLL's expectations of ALL parents/guardians:

- Attend my child's games.
- Be supportive of the manager, coaches and all members of my child's team.
- Communicate with managers, coaches and other adult volunteers in appropriate ways.
- Cheer for all players of the team and make only positive comments.
- Be a positive role model exhibiting only good sportsmanship.
- Attend games whether or not my child is completely successful.
- Show respect and support toward umpires and other volunteers.
- Understand that the game of baseball is difficult to learn and play.
- Look for opportunities to work with and encourage my child.
- Be positive and supportive whether the team wins or loses.
- Teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning.

I understand and accept the PVLL's expectations of parents/guardians. If I violate this code, I may be asked to leave the game and the ballpark. I also understand that continued violation of the code may result in my being banned from further attendance at games for the remainder of the Little League season.

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*Parent/Guardian Signature*

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*Date*

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*Parent/Guardian Signature*

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*Date*

*Please sign and return to your child's manager/coach at the next practice or game.*