

Welcome **Orange Crush** families,

I along with Eric Huber are looking forward to meeting and coaching your daughters in softball this spring. We are the "**10U Orange Crush**"

If we don't have an opportunity to get together prior to our first practice, we will have a team meeting at the end of our first practice. Please plan to stick around after practice for a few minutes. That will give us a chance to meet you and answer any questions you may have. Practice schedules are not yet available. However, practices will start the first week in March.

I have attached a Player Bio. Please have your daughter complete and bring to our first practice.

We definitely need your help in making our team a success. If you are able to help in any areas below, please reply asap.

TEAM PARENT/COORDINATOR:

The Team Coordinator works closely with the coaches and supports the activities of the entire team, working closely with coaches and parents. The Team Coordinator organizes team activities. The Team Coordinator function is a critical one to the success of the team. Knowledge of softball skills or rules is not required.

**TEAM COORDINATOR MEETING -
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29th
6-8pm, Hampton Inn & Suites.**

You'll get basics of Team Sideline, as well as important season information.
An ASA background check IS required for this position.

Please register at www.folsomsoftballclub.org. Select "Volunteer" at the bottom of the page and follow registration. You will then be assigned as Team Parent to our team. This will ensure you receive integral league information, and will also allow you to communicate with the rest of our team on important dates and details.

SCOREKEEPERS:

**SCOREKEEPER TRAINING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14th
6-8pm, Hampton Inn & Suites.**

It is extremely helpful to have several scorekeepers

An ASA background check IS NOT required for this position.

DUGOUT PARENT:

Helps keep players in the right batting order, helps the players to keep the dugout as organized as possible and cheering for their team. Also, helps the designated Jr. Dugout Girl and Bat Girl as needed.

*An ASA background check **IS** required for this position.*

*Being that the girls are old enough to have more responsibility, I will make a rotating schedule for the Jr. Dugout Girl and the Bat Girl. With the positions, I think it will give the players a sense of responsibility and leadership. It will also help to keep them engaged during the game.

PRACTICE/PRE GAME ASSISTANTS:

Several that help “on the field” during practices and warming up the players before games. This way we can make the most of our practices by working with smaller groups of girls and also, less standing around time.

*An ASA background check **IS** required for this position.*

***JR. DUGOUT GIRL/rotating schedule among players**

Assists in making sure gear (bags, gloves, helmet and water bottles) are placed in it's appropriate spot, and leads in cheers for their team. Lastly, helps to remind the girls to pick up after themselves after the game...leaving the dugout clean for the next team.

***BAT GIRL/rotating schedule among players** (needs to wear helmet during offense innings)

Responsible for retrieving bats during our team's "at bat". Also, assists players in paying attention to their batting order and having their helmets on when it comes time to being on deck.

Who needs an ASA background check and why?

For the safety of our children, ASA requires that anyone on the field or in the dugout with the girls have a background check. Since scorekeepers are not on the field they do not require a background check. Yes, if you had this done last season as I did, it does need to be done again, every year.

Required documents for the background check:

1. ASA Background Consent Form (see attachment) you only need to complete the first page.

2. A copy of your driver's license
3. Check for \$20.00 made payable to: Folsom Softball Club

Please bring the above to our first practice and I will mail all at once.

What your daughter will need for games:

- Navy Blue Pants
- Glove
- Non-metal cleats
- Helmet with a face mask & chin strap attached (helmet/face-mask need to be NOCSAE approved).
- If you are purchasing a bat, it must be ASA approved.
- Water

I have attached our team roster. If there is any information that needs to be corrected or added, please let me know.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.
Looking forward to playing ball... Bernadine