

Greetings,

I'm sure many of you have already heard the news that Al Beuchner passed away recently. Al was a faithful and dedicated member of The Maplewood Athletic club. He served as President of the club for many years and was also the PA announcer at Met games. He was always willing to volunteer and will be sorely missed by the baseball community. RIP AL.

Governor Tony Evers has extended the stay home order until May 26th due to the Corona Virus. This is a serious matter and should not be taken lightly. We will not start the Door county Baseball League Season until we get the green light from Madison and from Door County. With that in mind the games scheduled for May 10, 17, and 24th are postponed. The tentative makeup dates for these games are August 16, 23, and 30th. If teams would like to make up these games and play at night or play on another day of the week, it would be acceptable providing we can supply umpires. The new target date to begin the season is May 31st. Again, we must be cleared by Madison and Door County.

On the positive side of things, Umpire in Chief Roger Vanlanen has informed me that the umpire schedule has been filled. They are waiting for the green light too. A special Thank you to Roger for all you do.

There also has been some inquiry in scheduling a meeting, either in person or via the internet. Since everything is up in the air right now, we will hold off on that. We can communicate with each other by telephone or email if warranted.

I am enclosing a list of questions that I have been asked recently. If you have any input on these questions, feel free to respond.

In closing I ask for your patience. Everyone is anxious to get the season going again. We just need to be smart about it. I will keep everyone up to date as things progress.

Thanks,

Rick Gigot, President, DCL

Door County Baseball League Questions to Ponder

If given the Green Light to start the season:

- 1.How long will it take to get your field ready to play?
- 2.Will you have enough players to field a team? Even if the ban is lifted, are players families going to be ok with a player participating?
- 3.Will fans come out to support your team? Will attendance be enough to cover your costs? (umpires, balls, bats, ect.)
- 4.If concession stands are prohibited can you survive financially?
- 5.Sponsors could be harder to find since business' have been closed due to the Corona Virus. Does this affect your teams financial status?
- 6.Water coolers are more than likely going to be prohibited. Are teams going to provide bottled water for the players?
- 7.Since we have been publicly asking people from out of town to stay away from Door County, are they going to stay away from games too?
8. In the event that the Corona Virus lingers and the ban is extended again, at what point do you cancel the season?

I'm sure there are many more questions in everyone's mind. These are just a few that came to mind.