

Golden Seniors Softball Club Of Sacramento

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Dear Golden Seniors Club Member,

The 2009 softball season has just ended but it's time to think about the 2010 season. It will be here before you know it and there is much to be done. Attached, you will find the renewal application for the 2010 season. You will notice the application has changed slightly.

The membership renewal process will be much the same as last year. You will notice the Board has increased the membership dues and additional league fees for the 2010 season. To cover increased costs and to preserve the Club's modest savings, the Board has elected to increase the rates in each category by \$20 over last year. Over the last two seasons, the Board was committed to using the Club's savings and kept the membership fees down. The Club's savings are now at a level where we must match the membership dues and additional league fees to the actual cost of running the Club. The Board has also cut many discretionary expenses to keep this increase to a minimum. In 2010, a Playing Member will now pay dues of \$115, which includes playing in one league. The fee for each additional league will now be \$90. Playing Life Members will pay dues of \$80 but a Non-playing Life Member will pay no dues in 2010 even though they still must submit a renewal application. Any Non-playing Member will pay dues the of \$30 to maintain their Club membership and receive the Dugout Chatter.

All renewing Club members must include their dues and additional league fees with the application. This will reduce some of the confusion over unpaid fees and reduce the accounting efforts required to collect additional league fees after play has begun. If submitting the total amount of dues along with the application creates a hardship for any Club member, they may contact me and make some other arrangements.

Many Club members, who added leagues in 2009, after the season began, did not pay the fees for the additional play. I was not able to keep up with all the changes and player additions so I counted on them to submit the fees on their own. In 2010, I promise to improve the accounting system to collect these additional fees. If you decide to play in an additional league after you have submitted your application, call me so I can place you in that additional league. If you decide to play in an additional league, you must pay the fees before you begin play in that league. All Club members must pay the fees before they are eligible to play.

If a Club member does not play in a league for which they have paid, the member will receive a full refund. If a Club member signs up for a league but only plays in a portion of the games in that league, a refund will be prorated based upon the number of games played. To obtain a refund, you must communicate with me, the Player Agent. I will confirm your status and arrange for the Club's Treasurer to refund your money.

Club members who sign up for either of the Select Leagues, League 6 or League 7, will be chosen by team managers based upon the members level of play. Some positions on each Select team are reserved for Club members who will be recruited by a team manager. The balance of the positions on that team will be filled by those members who apply for the league. Because these are "Select Leagues", it is possible not everyone who applies will be placed on a team. If you are not selected for a team, your fees will be refunded.

Forward your application and check to me as soon as possible. In January 2010, we will be forming the draft lists for each of the leagues. My address is on the back page of the application.

Tom Sansone
Player Agent
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