Parent & Family Information Sheet

Five Weeks of Baseball, Fun & Family

Welcome to the Rangers Summer Tee Ball Comp!
This is not designed to be a traditional, serious baseball competition. It is a fun five-week program designed to introduce children aged 5–10 to baseball in a relaxed, positive and family-friendly environment.
The emphasis is on having fun, learning skills, making friends and being part of a team.

When Is It? Every Tuesday 17 November – 15 December

Typical Tuesday night
5:00pm – Arrive and find your team. Have a quick throw and catch.
5:30pm – Group warm up
6:00pm – Games begin
7:00pm – Games finish
7:15pm – Extra Challenge
7:30pm – Finish

Where? Targoora Park - Games will be played across three diamonds:

- D1 - Main Diamond
- D2 - Left Field Mini Diamond
- D3 - Right Field Mini Diamond

What Does Registration Include?

Registration is: $50 per player
This includes:

- Five weeks of games
- Team shirt & Cap
- Presentation Medal
- Baseball Victoria insurance

Your Child's Team

There are six teams:
Knuckleheads - Tee-Rexes - Dirty Sox - Wild Pitches - Dugout Dogs - Base Invaders
Each team has seven players, a volunteer coach and parent support (please).

What Happens Each Tuesday?

There are three games played at the same time. Every team plays once each Tuesday, meaning there is no waiting around for your child's game. The evening is designed to be much more than just baseball. After the games, families are encouraged to stay for the weekly Extra Challenge.

Extra Challenges

This is one of the things that makes the Rangers Summer Tee Ball Comp different.
Each week there will be a fun challenge involving players & coaches.

Possible challenges include:
Week 1 🎯 Ball Toss Challenge
Week 2 💥 Home Run Derby
Week 3 🏃 Around the Bases Relay
Week 4 🧤 Water Balloon Toss
Week 5 🎯 Golden Arm

What Does My Child Need?

Rangers will provide the main playing equipment.
Players should bring:

- Comfortable sports clothing - shorts or tracksuit pants.
- Runners/sports shoes
- Water bottle
- Sunscreen
- A positive attitude!

Players will use all club equipment including bats, gloves, helmets, batting tees and safety baseballs.
We will have club gloves to borrow during the series, as well as have some brand new gloves to purchase from our friends at www.ausport.com.au . Gloves start at $30.

How the Games Work

The rules have been modified specifically for this program.
Every player bats. There are no strikeouts.
Tee batting only. Players hit from a batting tee.
Unlimited swings. Players can continue swinging until they make contact.
No stealing. Players remain on their base until the ball is hit.
Seven players take the field. Players rotate through different positions.
Games last 60 minutes. Games finish after 60 minutes regardless of the number of innings played.

The complete playing rules are provided in the separate Rangers Summer Tee Ball Rules Sheet.

The Most Important Rule

EVERYONE PLAYS.

The program is about participation.
We want children to experience:

- Batting
- Running
- Fielding
- Throwing
- Catching
- Teamwork
- Encouragement
- Sportsmanship

Parents – How You Can Help

The best thing parents can do is encourage rather than coach from the sideline.
Please:

- Cheer for your child.
- Cheer for their teammates.
- Celebrate effort.
- Encourage good sportsmanship.
- Let the coaches coach.
- Help your child have fun.

A simple:
"Great effort!" or "Well done for having a go!" can mean more than whether they got a hit.

Family Atmosphere

We want Tuesday nights at Targoora Park to feel like a family event.
There will be:

- Music
- BBQ or Canteen
- Extra Challenges
- Team and individual photos
- Weekly recognition
- Plenty of baseball

Families are encouraged to stay around after the game and get involved.

End-of-Season Celebration

There are no traditional finals.
Instead, the top team receives the:

SUMMER CUP

The Summer Cup is a perpetual trophy that will remain in the Rangers clubhouse.
Every player receives:
🏅 Medal
🍦 Ice cream voucher from Scoops IceCream Wangaratta
📸 Team photo

There will also be individual awards including:

- Best Teammate
- Biggest Smile
- Hustle Award
- Sportsmanship
- Most Improved
- Long Ball Champion
- Speedy Runner

What We Ask From Families

Please help us make this a positive experience for every child.
Be positive. Be encouraging. Let the kids play. Support every child. Stay for the Extra Challenge.
Have fun!
The Rangers Summer Tee Ball Comp is about creating great memories and hopefully introducing a new generation of players and families to baseball.

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