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## This Month's Newsletter

Not much to report this month. Little League has released new rule changes for the 06 season, and we have them here.

If you have any info about your League or District...please pass it on so that the rest of the country can see what your up to.

Please remember to try to get anything you can to me by as close to the end of the month as possible, as I put out the new issue on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month.

Thanks for taking the time to read this and every issue.

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## Little League Releases New Rules For 06 Season

Little League International has released the rule changes for the upcoming season.

As many are already aware, the league age determination date change goes into effect for this season. Below are some links to Little League International's web pages that supply information on this subject.

- [http://www.littleleague.org/media/age\\_change\\_Oct05.asp](http://www.littleleague.org/media/age_change_Oct05.asp) This is a detailed overview and Q/A session regarding the change in the league age determination date.

- <http://www.littleleague.org/districtadmins/forms.asp> The age charts for 2006 (a matrix version and text version) can be found on this page.

- <http://www.littleleague.org/askll/05oct12session.asp> This is an "Ask Little League" session with Little League President and Chief Executive Officer Stephen D. Keener regarding the new league age determination dates in baseball and softball.

As well, here is a link to the rule changes for the upcoming season...of interest is the new rule for Managers and Coaches under the Tournament rules. <http://www.littleleague.org/media/rules06.asp> (Any future updates also will be posted at this page.)

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I trust in God  
I love my country  
And will respect it's laws  
I will play fair  
And strive to win  
But win or lose  
I will always  
Do my best

### The Little League Parent / Volunteer Pledge:

I will teach all children to play  
fair and do their best  
  
I will positively support all  
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## Blue's Corner...by Andy O'Brien

It's that time of year again. Every person across Canada has packed in their baseball gear, and most have dragged out their hockey equipment for a cold winter. Although it may seem like your local league has gone into hibernation, it is in fact quite the contrary. Local Little Leagues across the country are preparing for off-season meetings, plans for the 2006 season, and of course Umpire Consultants from coast to coast are recruiting new umpires. Most are seeking a handful, but one general rule remains constant... every league needs at least one new umpire! Have you ever thought of volunteering *your* time to your local league? How about umpiring? This is the perfect time of the year to contact your local league and let them know that you would like to umpire next season. Not only will this allow you time to "train," but you'll also be able to keep an eye out for possible winter & spring training seminars. Don't forget that most leagues will work with *you* and around *your* schedule (it's the Little League way!). Don't be afraid. Volunteer your time today.

As for our regular Blue's Corner readers, I do apologize for the lack of our monthly trivia question, and feel that this is much more appropriate, considering leagues could really use the extra help.

**Do you have a suggestion for a topic? If so, please email Andy O'Brien at [andrewobrien@rogers.com](mailto:andrewobrien@rogers.com) with the subject "Blue's Corner Idea."**

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## Brain Teasers

Bases are loaded with two outs. The batter hits a home run over the fence. The batter misses first base and is declared out on appeal. **HOW MANY RUNS SCORE?**

Answer at the end of the newsletter.

**Answer to Brain Teaser:** Rule 4.09(a.1). No runs count. The third out was made by the batter runner before he / she touched first base.

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