

**INFORMATION SHEET**  
**12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WORLD TOURNAMENT OF HISTORIC BASE BALL**  
**AUGUST 9 & 10, 2014**

**WHEN YOU ARRIVE**

All participants in the *World Tournament of Historic Base Ball* program must enter Greenfield Village via the Eagle Gate on *Village Road*, located about ¼ mile west of *Southfield Freeway* (M-39). Stop at the Eagle Gate and tell the security officer your name, club and that you are playing in the World Tournament.

Only registered participants and those riding in the same vehicle will be allowed to enter the Village through Eagle Gate. Please inform your guests that will NOT be riding with you in your vehicle that they must enter the Village through the Main Village Entrance. This request will be strictly enforced by our Security Department.

Your club captain/representative has provided us with your name, which will be provided to our Security Department. If there are any questions regarding yours or anyone's status as a registered participant, please contact your club representative or e-mail [participantinfo@thehenryford.org](mailto:participantinfo@thehenryford.org) prior to the event weekend.

**CAPTAIN'S CHECK-IN**

Team captains are required to Check In for their teams in the Eagle Tavern parking lot before entering the Village. The captain will pick up ALL packets for the team. The captain is then responsible for distributing the packets to the team members.

**Captain's Check-In Hours**

**Saturday, August 9, 2014 7:00am to 11:00am**

The team captain **MUST** ensure that all members of the team fill out and sign their Participant Waiver, which is found in their packet. Please collect all waivers and hand them off to a member of the Program Production Team.

It is imperative that the captain be at Check-In within the allotted times. If you have an emergency on the way and will be arriving outside of Check-In hours, you will have to call our Security at 313.982.6100 x 3220 and inform them that you are running late so that they can let the Check-In staff know.

**PARTICIPANT PACKETS**

Each participant in period clothing will receive a Check-In Packet that contains a variety of items and important information and materials that you will need including:

- Participant Waiver – This needs to be signed as soon as you receive your packet and given to your team captain. The team captain will collect all waivers for the team and turn them over to a member of the Program Production Team.
- Participant Buttons – You will receive four (4) buttons that will serve as your admission for the weekend. These "14 Participant" buttons allow you and three of your guests admittance to Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village on Saturday and Sunday of World Tournament weekend. They are not valid for admission to IMAX or the Ford Rouge Factory Tours.
  - If you are in period clothing, please do not wear the button in a visible place, but have it with you when you enter Greenfield Village or Henry Ford Museum.
  - If you wish to leave participant buttons or discount coupons for guests arriving at a later time, you can drop them off at the Will Call window at the Village Ticket Building near the entrance of Greenfield Village.
- Discount Coupons – These coupons can be used to purchase up to four (4) extra admission tickets and/or ride passes.
- Lunch Voucher – Each registered participant will receive two \$10 lunch voucher which can be used at any food location in Greenfield Village during their normal operating hours. Please treat the vouchers as cash.
- Parking Permit – Please fill out and display in the front window of your vehicle. This must be done for the benefit of our Security Department.

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

For the days that you are here and part of our public programming, you represent The Henry Ford. They think of you as an extension of our staff. For this reason, we expect you to follow several of the same standards for professional behavior as we ask our staff. All The Henry Ford employees and guest participants are prohibited from consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages or controlled substances while on the property of The Henry Ford. For this reason, no alcoholic beverages will be served to participants in any of the Museum or Village restaurants.

If you are observed consuming or displaying alcoholic beverages or controlled substances, you may be asked to leave the premises and not allowed to return. Depending on the circumstances, you as an individual or your club may lose its invitation to participate in programs presented at The Henry Ford. Controlled substances are not permitted at ANY TIME.

### **GENERAL SAFETY, PROPERTY & SECURITY**

In case of emergency, contact the nearest employee and ask them to call our Security Department. Or you can dial 3220 from any internal phone. Outside line (i.e. cell) **313.982.6096**.

The Henry Ford safety policies are aimed at preventing any employee, volunteer, guest, vendor, or participant from being subjected to any unusual health risks. All employees, volunteers, and guests are asked to follow these guidelines:

- ⌚ Demonstrate proper respect for Museum property and equipment.
- ⌚ Abstain from potentially dangerous horseplay and practical jokes.
- ⌚ Do not bring unauthorized weapons onto the Museum property.
- ⌚ In case of emergency, contact the nearest employee and ask him/her to call Security.
- ⌚ Potentially dangerous horseplay and practical jokes are not acceptable behavior.
- ⌚ Regardless of the impression you are trying to portray, shoes MUST be worn at all times during the event.

### **SMOKING**

In compliance with the May 1, 2010 state of Michigan public smoking ban, smoking of any tobacco products is strictly prohibited in all camps, military and civilian. Participants may smoke in the following areas:

- Inside their personal vehicles
- On the asphalt near the gate between the Edison statue and the Tin Type Studio (this may be slightly moved due to Tin Type demonstration)
- On the sidewalk between the entrance to Taste of History and the Stone Mill • On the sidewalk next to the Yellow Gate at Lovett Hall

Signs and smoking urns are placed at all designated smoking areas. These rules apply to both daytime and evening hours.

### **SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- Dogs (other than certified service animals) are no longer allowed on the grounds of Greenfield Village. This includes all parking and camping areas as well as the Village itself.
- You, as a participant, will occupy an unusual position during this program. Not only are you a guest with respect due you, you are also a representative of the Museum with responsibility toward the visitors. You can help make our guests' visit memorable just by showing a genuine interest in them... share in their excitement... engage in some friendly conversation. We understand that we may ask more of you at our World Tournament program than at other events, but we need your help to present a successful program. All The Henry Ford employee and guest participants are asked to follow these guidelines.

### **AUTHENTICITY**

- \* Please keep all modern items out of visitor sight during the program hours.
- \* Modern beverage containers, including those from THE HENRY FORD food outlets, **may not** be carried through the Village or demonstration areas while wearing uniforms and period clothing.
- \* Please make every attempt to conceal modern food/beverage while in uniforms and period clothing.
- \* Sunglasses of any sort are **not** permitted while wearing uniforms or period clothing. Please keep the use of modern eye wear to a minimum when in period clothing.
- \* Please maintain a period appropriate appearance in dress and behavior during event hours.
- \* Absolutely no wristwatches, modern jewelry, or piercings visible to the public other than the lower lobe of the ear while in uniform or period clothing.
- \* Please, no family or participants in modern clothes on the playing fields or bench during matches.
- \* Selling of any kind is not allowed in the Village during visitor hours.
- \* Modern bats, regardless of how well altered or camouflaged, are not permitted for use during matches.

Our goal with the World Tournament is to represent as accurately as possible, an immersion into 19th century base ball. In doing so, we want to keep a nineteenth century look and atmosphere in the areas immediately surrounding the base ball field (club benches, etc.). Therefore, we ask you to keep all modern items (lawn chairs, coolers, etc.) out of the area. Guests in period clothing are welcome to sit with the club. All others will be asked to sit with the other Village visitors. This includes smoking – especially when in uniforms and period clothing.

Although we understand and realize that game accidents may occur and that uniforms could get torn and soiled during Tournament play, we ask that all start with a complete uniform that is not excessively threadbare, torn, shredded, has holes, and/or tattered looking. Although this may be an "impression" or "look/character", we ask that all ballists are dressed appropriately and respectfully of the time period and for guest consideration.

### **GAMES PLAYED PRIOR TO GREENFIELD VILLAGE OPENING AT 9:30 AM**

In order to get all the requisite games in, three matches will be played on Saturday and two games will be played on Sunday before the Greenfield Village open time of 9:30am. Your family/friends are permitted to watch those early games if your club is playing one of those schedule games, but they MUST enter Greenfield Village Eagle Gate (see maps). EVERY EFFORT should be made for those guests coming in to ENTER with the player. Guests of the players whose games start at 9:30am on Saturday and 10:30am on Sunday will need to enter the Greenfield Village at the main Village Entrance area after 9:30am.

**PLEASE NOTE** The front gates of Greenfield Village WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 9:30am under any circumstance. Additionally, there will be limited, if any, services provided before 9:30am. Security will be available around the clock! Please be prepared given any special circumstances or needs you may have.

### **FAMILIES & GUESTS**

Participants are welcome to bring guests to the World Tournament. Guests in period clothing need to act as if they are part of the show and on-stage just as the base ball players do. Any participant in period clothing will be held to the same authenticity standards as the players. No modern anachronism will be permitted within visitor sight lines (this includes cell phone use, modern sunglasses, drinking vessels, jewelry, etc.)

### **UMPIRES**

The Henry Ford will provide four umpires during the Tournament which should be enough to cover the games. Should more umpires be needed a call will go out prior to the weekend if anyone can step in.

### **FIELD HOSTS & SCORE KEEPERS**

There will be designated Field Hosts and Scorekeepers at each field. These staff (a The Henry Ford employee) will run the field operations and keep the official score.

**Field Hosts** are in charge of the field and operations during the game. Among their responsibilities, they will facilitate game times, issue official game balls and back up balls, manage the bases, inspect club's bats for legal use in games and other similar field duties. The Field Hosts will have an official The Henry Ford radio to communicate with program leaders, support staff and security. Additionally, Field Hosts will have final ruling and decision, in consultation with umpires and club captains, on any issues that may arise.

**Score keepers** will be responsible for keeping the official score of matches, updating bracket standings and obtaining line-ups from the club captains. Club captains please provide the score keepers with your official line-up cards/sheets as soon as possible when you know the field and time you will be playing. Please note that these staff members will be dressed in period clothing that may also include base ball uniforms of the home clubs represented in the tournament. Although they may be dressed in the uniform of a club playing, they will maintain the utmost standards of fair and impartial rulings.

### **CAPTAINS MEETING**

Due to the early start times of the games and that some clubs are coming from some distance on Saturday morning – it does not make sense to have a single Captain's Meeting. Hopefully, the majority of questions can be answered in this document and/or other documents relating to the World Tournament. Several Program Production Staff Members will be on Walnut Grove through out the day to answer questions that may arise. Please contact the Field Host at each of the fields to summon Jim Johnson, Greg Harris or Jarrod Bear.

### **A NOTE TO CAPTAINS- LINE-UPS**

If at all possible, Captains should make out their line-ups in advance on several sheets of paper so you can simply turn in your line-up to the scorer's table. Please feel free to turn in your line-ups to the Field Hosts of the respective fields toward the end of the match prior to yours so they can prepare the official score card. PLEASE PROVIDE FIRST AND LAST NAMES of your line-up, especially for the CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH where the game will be announced, so we can have participant names attached to the permanent record that we keep in our research center.

### **PLAYER SKILLS COMPETITION (SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2014 1:30PM – 2:30PM)**

In keeping with the activities in the original 1867 Base Ball Tournament in Detroit, we will conduct a Player's Base Ball Skills Competition on Walnut Grove #1 (*Most Accurate Thrower* and *Farthest Thrown Ball*) and Walnut Grove #2 (*Fastest Runner*) from 1:30pm – 2:30pm on Sunday, August 10, 2014. PLEASE SEND ONE (1) representative for

each category from your club so that three (3) members will represent your club accordingly. There are no scheduled games at this time to encourage participants to enter. Ribbons will be awarded for First, Second and Third places for each skill.

### **TOURNAMENT BRACKET & PAIRINGS:**

A copy of the tournament bracket will be sent closer to the tournament. Each club is guaranteed three games of the two days of competitive games – Saturday and Sunday. First round games commence at 8:00am on Saturday, so clubs who are scheduled at that time should make necessary arrangements to arrive and play at that time. Seedlings of the bracket are based on past performance and generally accepted sport tournament brackets.

### **TOURNAMENT GAMES & LOCATIONS:**

All Tournament Games will be held on Walnut Grove #1, Walnut Grove #2 and Hawthorne Glade Field. Hawthorne Glade field is located at the end of *Maple Lane* beyond the Daggett Farmhouse opposite the Orange Gate. The Championship Game will be held on Walnut Grove #1 at 2:30pm on Sunday, August 10 and the Reserve Championship Game on Walnut Grove #2 at 2:30pm on Sunday, August 10.

### **PARTICIPATING CLUBS 2014**

Indianapolis Blues  
Regular Base Ball Club of Mt. Clemens  
Saginaw Old Gold Base Ball Club  
Wyandotte Stars  
Welkin Base Ball Club  
Bay City Independents Base Ball Club  
Columbus Capitals Base Ball Club

Fulton Mules Vintage Base Ball Club  
Walker Tavern Wheels  
Monitor Base Ball Club of Chelsea  
Columbus Buckeyes  
Petoskey Mossbacks  
Atlantic Base Ball Club

### **INFORMATION BOOTH**

We will be setting up an information booth for guests to pick up programs, learn of the tournament results and obtain general information. As many clubs have literature, newsletters and brochures about their club and organization, we will have a table set up wherein you can place these items for guests to take. The information booth will be a tent set up between Walnut Grove #1 and Walnut Grove #2 near where the bracket results board is generally located. Please feel free to set up and leave brochures, etc. and/or have a representative of your club stationed at the booth if you would like.

### **BASE BALL ARTIFACTS**

Once again, The Henry Ford will display base ball artifacts from the collection. Among these objects will be the actual championship trophy bat awarded to the Unknowns from Jackson, Michigan – winners of the first-class division at the World's Base Ball Tournament 1867 in Detroit – and an original copy of Haney's Base Ball Book of Reference for 1867 by Henry Chadwick. These and other base ball artifacts from the collections of The Henry Ford will be on display from 9:30am – 5:00pm at the Luther Burbank Birthplace on *Maple Lane* just up the hill from Walnut Grove.

### **MODERN BAT POLICY**

As of August 1, 2006 Greenfield Village will not permit the use of modern wooden bats, regardless of how well disguised, sanded, altered and/or painted, for use in vintage Base Ball games in Greenfield Village. Only 19th century style bats as described in Section 2 *Haney's Base Ball Book of Reference for 1867* will be permitted for use at The Henry Ford for vintage Base Ball games.

**Sec. 2. The bat must be round, and must not exceed two and a half inches in diameter in the thickest part. It must be made of wood, and may be of any length to suit the striker.**

Included in this ban are 'Powerized', 'Pro-Stock', cupped barrel, and all other contemporary or modern bats. Many of these bats create increased batted ball speeds uncharacteristic of vintage base ball. Furthermore, in an era of gloveless defensive fielding, this "advantage" increases the chances of injury to players and/or spectators which is not the spirit of the original game. Injuries occur enough sans the use of modern striking equipment.

An inspection of a club's bats will be made by the umpire, in consultation by the participating club's captains prior to the game. However, the final decision of bat use for said match will be at the sole discretion of the umpire who has been empowered and supported by The Henry Ford. Use of a bat during a match deemed unusable by the umpire will result in that club's forfeiture of the match.

If the players of your club currently use a bat in question, it is suggested that they get used to, and practice with, a faithful and authentic reproduced bat of the era. There will be no exceptions to this policy and will be strictly enforced.

If a bat is 2.5 inches, but because of the finish/varnish it does not slide through a gauge, it is acceptable if it meets all other requirements.

The Phoenix Bat Company makes and carries a line of 19th century style of bats that you can reference or use. The web site for Phoenix Bat Company can be found at <http://www.phoenixbats.com/19cenbasbalb.html>

### **FUTURE WOLD TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATING CLUBS**

In an effort to introduce new clubs to the World Tournament and expand the invitation to the broader Vintage base ball community, The Henry Ford has impletmented a new selction process beginning with the 2014 World Tournament. A decision to rotate clubs obviously means that there will be some clubs that will not be able to participate year after year.

We are very grateful to those clubs and there contributions to the history of the re-created 1867 World Tournament of Base Ball. In the attempt of rotating new external clubs into the Tournament while providing the existing clubs a potential biannual opportunity to participate; we will be implementing the following for the 2014 Tournament:

1. Based on the 2013 (and subsequent) World Tournament results, ten (potentially nine) of the sixteen clubs will get automatic return invites. These clubs include: the final four in the championship bracket, reserve bracket champion, reserve bracket champion runner-up, The Henry Chadwick Sportsmanship Award club, and the three Greenfield Village clubs. If a club that satisfies this requirement chooses not to return, the club with the next best record (based on run margin) will be put placed in that spot.
2. If the Henry Chadwick Sportsmanship Award recipient is one of those meeting the criteria above, then nine clubs will receive the automatic return invite.
3. Of the remaining six or seven clubs, a lottery draw will pick two or three (respectively) additional clubs to be added to the subsequent year's tournament bringing the total number of returning club invites to twelve. If clubs choose not to return for the following year's tournament (from this group) and be taken out of the mix, that will increase chances for those to be drawn for automatic return invite.
4. The four remaining clubs will NOT have the right of first refusal for the subsequent year and invites will be sent out to the clubs in order of the earliest expressed interest in participation until the last four club positions are filled.
5. After 2014, all clubs wishing to participate in the tournament will be placed in a lottery draw to fill the following year's four vacancies based on the lottery draw.
6. Lottery draws and invites will be handled in the fall and released before the end of the year so clubs can schedule and plan accordingly.

### **AWARDS & AWARDS CEREMONY**

As did the Detroit Base Ball Club, The Henry Ford issues awards in some of the same categories as was done in the 1867 World's Tournaments. For 2014, we will issue awards for 'Finest Pitcher', 'Finest Catcher', 'Best Captain', and 'Furthest Traveled'. The Tournament also issues the *Henry Chadwick Sportsmanship Award* to the club who exhibited great sportsmanship both on and off the field of play during the tournament. Club Captains/representatives will be issued a ballot for you and your clubs to vote in these categories. All ballots should be turned in by 12:00pm on Sunday at the Walnut Grove #1 scorer's table.

The Henry Ford's awards for these categories are custom pottery mugs from the Greenfield Village pottery shop. The Champion, Runner-up Champion and Reserve Champion of the Tournament receive a custom made pitcher also made by the artisans of the Greenfield Village Pottery Shop. The tournament champion will also have their club's name engraved on a brass plaque that will be mounted on the base of the World Tournament of Historic Base Ball trophy exhibited during the weekend. This trophy was made by the Greenfield Village Pottery and Carpenter Shop at The Henry Ford. The winner of the original 1867 World's Tournament received \$300 in cash and in keeping with that practice, we will issue \$300 to the champion club. A check in that amount will be mailed to the winning club after the tournament.

In keeping with the spirit of the 1867 Worlds Tournament, the clubs with the least number of victories will receive a bag of peanuts. The Awards Ceremony will take place immediately following the Championship game on Walnut Grove #1. Awards, in the form of custom made pottery pitchers and mugs made here at The Henry Ford, will be awarded.