

## ***Helpful Information for 1<sup>st</sup> Year/New Squirts***

In Squirt there are 3 divisions. Each zone holds evaluations that places girls in either A,B or C divisions based on skill level and amount of time commitment with A needing the most commitment. These evaluations include fielding, throwing, hitting and agility drills. Girls wishing to pitch will also be evaluated on speed, accuracy and correct form.

After teams have been placed, practices will begin as soon as the ground is dry, usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week in April. Games start the last weekend in April and run until the end of June with playoffs and Provincials running into July.

### ***Squirt A***

#### ***Commitment Level: Very High***

Girls can expect one/two practices a week and games played one/two times a week.

Travel can be expected as there are often teams from Weyburn and Lumsden in this division.

'A' teams will usually attend at least one out of town tournament. This is discussed with the parents by the coaches; usually a group decision is met.

There is an 'A' tournament the weekend of JUNE **11-13** in Regina.

**Provincials:** This year they are in Saskatoon from **JULY 2-4**.

**City Playoffs:** Teams can expect to play into the second week of July. Sometimes rain delays push this a little later. Again, coaches need a strong commitment. This is a double knockout format.

\*Extra Costs: Approximately \$150 for tournament fees plus travel/hotels/meals.

### ***Squirt B***

#### ***Commitment Level: High***

At Squirt level there is not a big difference between the level of play in A and B.

This level can expect one practice and one/two games per week.

The coaches may consult with parents and choose an out of town tournament.

The Regina tournament is **May 28-30**.

**Provincials:** This year they are in Regina **July 9-11**. Coaches will decide early in the season if their team will enter.

**City playoffs:** Usually runs into the second week of July. This is pretty much the same as the 'A' format.

\*Extra Costs: Approximately \$80 for tournament fees plus hotel/travel/meals.

### ***Squirt C***

#### ***Commitment Level: Moderate***

This is a level for girls who may be involved in other activities and would like a lower commitment and is also good for players who are still developing their skills.

**Regina Tournament June 5-6**.

**Provincials** are in July with place and date TBA. The team will decide whether or not to enter.

**City Playoffs** usually are done by the end of June.