



Oshawa Dodgers

May Newsletter

Dodgers Off to Best Start in Franchise History

This past Monday the Oshawa Dodgers moved into sole possession of first place in the Intercounty Baseball League with a doubleheader sweep over the Stratford Nationals bringing their record to 4-1 – the best start in franchise history. The Dodgers began the weekend with a Saturday matinee versus Hamilton.

Fifteen-year-old Evan Grills got the start and was spectacular allowing only 2 earned runs on five hits with 9 strikeouts for his first IBL win. In two games this season Evan has a 1.80 ERA with 17 strikeouts.

In the opener of Monday's doubleheader at Stratford, Cam Gray tossed a complete game two-hit shutout as the Dodgers blanked the Nationals 6-0. Gray was very sharp, striking out eight and walking two. In three appearances this season Gray is 2-0 with a 0.00 ERA in eleven and a third innings pitched having allowed only three hits with fifteen strikeouts.

Bryan Condotta had two hits, including a triple, for the Dodgers, who had nine hits and scored six runs in the first four innings and were never threatened.

In the second game, the Dodgers scored six runs in the second inning to lead 6-0 early and then held on for the win to improve to 4-1. Adam Garner picked up the win on the mound, allowing one hit over 3 2/3 innings with six strikeouts. Marcus Knecht homered for the Dodgers.

The Dodgers next action is Saturday May 24, 2008 as the Brantford Red Sox come to town for a 2pm doubleheader. Tickets are \$6.00 at the door and children twelve and under are admitted free of charge.



Oshawa Dodgers Red Party – E.P. Taylors

Please help support the Oshawa Dodgers as we host the first annual Oshawa Dodgers Red Party fundraiser. With the large contingent of new players in 2008 we wanted to give the fans an opportunity to meet their new team. This year's event will be held at E.P. Taylor's on the Durham College/UOIT campus on Saturday May 24, 2008. Tickets are available at our Saturday home games prior to the event and are only \$10 - \$15 at the door. A cash bar will be available along with D.J. and silent auction including such items as an opportunity to attend a Dodgers away game on the team bus and sit on the bench in uniform. For more information please visit our website – www.oshawadodgers.net.

Community Living Day

Saturday May 31st is Community Living Day at Kinsmen Stadium as the Oshawa Dodgers take on the London Majors in a 2pm doubleheader.

There are many events planned by Community Living volunteers including trivia, prizes & giveaways. Commemorative t-shirts, baseballs and frisbees will be available for purchase.

The Dodgers are proud to have entered into a second year of partnership with Community Living Oshawa/Clarington this season who provide support to people with intellectual disabilities and their families.

Please come out in support of this very important local organization and at the same time enjoy the best amateur baseball in Canada. Please visit www.communitylivingoc.ca for more information about Community Living Oshawa/Clarington.





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Cam Gray Joins Rotation

The Oshawa Dodgers are excited to announce the signing of Cincinnati Reds draft pick Cameron Gray. Cam, a 6'0" RHP from Toronto, was drafted in the 49th round of the 2007 amateur draft. He is a former member of Team Ontario and the Ontario Youth Team which won gold at the Canadian National championships in 2006. He was also selected to play for the Canadian Junior National Baseball Team.

In 2006 Cam was ranked as the 102nd best high school prospect in North America on Baseball America's top 250 list and 42nd among the top 85 high school pitchers.



Season Tickets On Sale

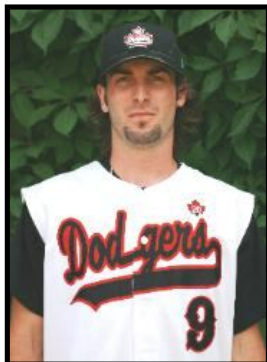
Oshawa Dodgers 2008 season tickets are now on sale for the low cost of \$50.00 for eighteen home games - only \$2.78 per game!!!!

Please be advised that all tickets will now be customized for use on a specific game date. Only 300 season ticket packages are being made available for purchase this season - place your order early so you don't miss out on the exciting changes the Dodgers have made in our quest for an IBL Championship.

To order tickets please download the order form at www.oshawadodgers.net/Ticket_Information.html and mail to the address provided. For further information contact tickets@oshawadodgers.net.

Gordon Re-Signs for Fourth Season

The Oshawa Dodgers are thrilled to announce Aaron Gordon's return to the Dodgers rotation in 2008. Gordon, a graduate of the Oshawa Junior Legionaires, has been a key member of the Dodgers pitching staff since the 2005 season and has a career 5.08 ERA over twenty-nine games. Aaron's most successful season to date with the Dodgers came last season. In 10 regular season games, Aaron had a 3.64 ERA in 42 innings pitched with a 1-3 record and a 2.84 playoff ERA. Four of Aaron's six starts last season came against IBL champion Toronto Maple Leafs. He held the IBL's top offensive team in check posting a 3.22 ERA over 22.1 innings of work and despite three of his four starts versus the Leafs occurring in the cozy confines of Christie Pits, Aaron did not allow a single homerun to a team that led the league with 69 throughout the playoffs and regular season." I'm very excited to have the opportunity to work with Aaron this season," said Dodgers new Manager and President of Baseball Operations Dan Bleiwas. "His stats from last season speak for themselves and with the improvements we have made defensively in the off-season I expect Aaron to have an even more successful 2008 campaign."



Dodgers Sign Garner

The Oshawa Dodgers are pleased to announce the return of Adam Garner to the pitching staff for 2008. Garner enjoyed another stellar season with Oklahoma Baptist University. As a senior, he led the team with 81.1 innings pitched with a 6-3 record and 4.32 ERA including two complete games. Garner also received Sooner Athletic Conference Player of the week honours for the week of February 18.



Dodgers Return to Rogers

Rogers Television has announced it's 2008 broadcast schedule of Oshawa Dodgers Baseball Games during the 2008 Intercounty Baseball Season. The broadcast schedule will include six regular season games and will start with the Dodgers Saturday June 7th game versus the Kitchener Panthers. Televised coverage is available exclusively to Rogers Cable subscribers. On Saturday June 28 come out to Kinsmen Stadium for Rogers TV Day. Score great prizes and giveaways and meet the Toronto Raptor. Throughout the season, check out Rogers website at www.rogerstv.com for complete t.v. listings.



2008 Oshawa Dodgers . . . A Whole New Attitude