July 1, 2024

Dear Mr. Rhoads and Zone Commissioners,

Mule Club Post 131 is very excited to be hosting the 2024 Missouri American Legion AA State Tournament here in Warrensburg July 25 – 27<sup>th</sup>. We are working hard to put together a great tournament with the support of Mathew Crawford Post 131 and the entire Warrensburg community.

We will be hosting this year's State Tournament at two locations. The first day, July 25<sup>th</sup> will be at Warrensburg High School Athletic Complex. This complex is only two years old and provides a turf field, batting cages for both teams, great fan accommodations and concessions. The remaining two days July 26-27<sup>th</sup> will be played at University of Central Missouri Crane Stadium/Tompkins field. We are thrilled to be able to provide the Junior Legion players the opportunity to play at one of the top DII schools in the country. It will be an incredible experience for both players and fans.

Attached is a packet of information with tournament guidelines and details. We are working hard to provide everyone an outstanding experience here in Warrensburg. As you review the information, please feel free to contact the tournament directors with any questions that you might have. Your tournament contacts with be Matt and Stacy Morgan.

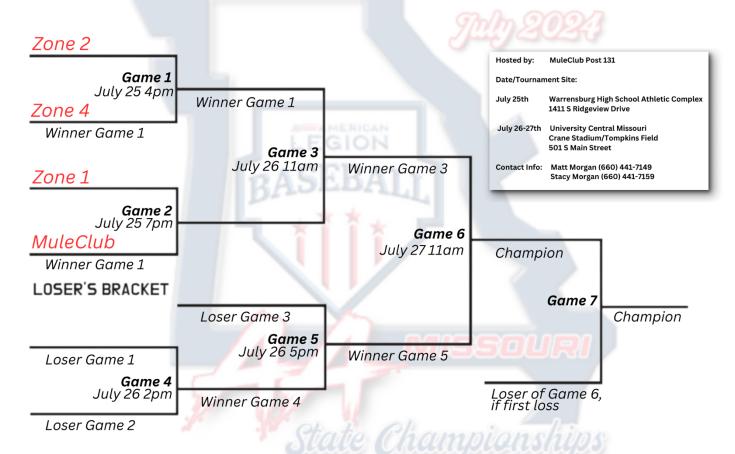
We look forward to seeing everyone July 25<sup>th</sup> here in the BURG!

Sincerely,

Matt and Stacy Morgan

# Missouri American Legion AA State Championship Bracket 2024

#### WINNER'S BRACKET



\*If necessary, Game 7 will follow 30 minutes after the completion of Game 6.

# Game Day information for Warrensburg High School Athletic Complex

We will follow the format below for each game on July 25th.

Teams can arrive 1 hour prior to game time.

The host team, Mule Club Post 131, will occupy the third base dugout.

# Game 1: game time 4pm

Arrival 3:00pm

3:00 warm-up on field/BP in cages adjacent to dugout.

Coaches will flip for Home/Away

- 3:30 I/O Home team
- 3:40 I/O Away Team
- 3:50 Umpire/Coaches meeting at Home Plate
- 3:55 Announce Teams (non-starters then Starters)
  American Legion Creed
  National Anthem
- 4:00 Game Time

## Rules for turf fields for players and coaches:

- 1) No Metal Spikes! You may wear turf shoes, molded (rubber/plastic) cleats, tennis shoes.
- 2) No Seeds.
- 3) No Gum or Tobacco.

Also, any damage/cleanup to the field caused by seeds, gum or tobacco will be charged to the players/coaches of the team.

# Game Day information for UCM Crane Stadium/Tompkins Field

We will follow the format below for each game on July 26-27th. If a game runs long, the 1-hour pre-game warm-up will begin immediately upon completion of prior game.

Teams can arrive 1 hour prior to game time.

The host team, Mule Club Post 131, will occupy the third base dugout.

## Game 1: game time 11am

#### Arrival 10:00am

**10:00** warm-up on field/BP. Each team will be allowed 30 minutes BP in the UCM Mules indoor cages. A Coach is required to be in the facility with players at all times. Please be responsible and respectful of their facility. No Coaches/Players allowed in the Mules weight room.

# Coaches will flip for Home/Away

10:30	I/O Home team
10:40	I/O Away Team
10:50	Umpire/Coaches meeting at Home Plate
10:55	Announce Teams (non-starters then Starters) American Legion Creed National Anthem

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# MISSOURI AMERICAN LEGION 2024 AA STATE TOURNAMENT COACHES REMINDERS AT A GLANCE:

Please review the Missouri American Legion Baseball 2024 Junior State Tournament Guidelines AND tournament information prior to arrival.

1. Prior to your first game you will need to bring the following to the team check-in tent: Rosters, proof of age (certified copy of birth certificate, passport or "REAL" ID), Form 2.

#### 2. UMPIRE FEES:

You will be responsible for paying for an Umpire at each game you play except for the Championship game the two teams playing will split the cost of the third umpire. Umpire's fee is \$65 you can pay by cash or check.

You will also be asked to pay \$11.25 to Mule Club to help pay for one meal on Thursday and Friday for the Umpires. You can pay by cash or check when you arrive at the check-in tent.

- 3. Teams are required to provide TWO baseballs per game. If you forget baseballs Mule Club will have extra on hand that can be purchased.
- 4. Both Athletic Complexes are turf fields. No Metal Spikes. No Seeds. No Gum or Tobacco.
- 5. Concessions will be available at both stadiums.
- 6. You will be responsible for providing water for your team in the dugout. Coolers are allowed for players/coaches only. Fans are not allowed to bring in coolers and outside food or drinks.
- 7. Each team needs to provide a lineup card to the umpire, opposing team, press box and if possible, an additional copy for PREPCASTS. Host team will have a runner available to deliver roster to the press box.
- 8. If you would like your team logo to be represented on the PREPCASTS broadcast and the tournament shirt, please send logos to the following emails <a href="mailto:burgmuleman@gmail.com">burgmuleman@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:stacy@midmolaw.com">stacy@midmolaw.com</a> on or before July 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon.

Tournament Contacts: Matt and Stacy Morgan

Email: stacy@midmolaw.com Cell #'s: Stacy 660-441-7159 Matt 660-441-7149

# MISSOURI AMERICAN LEGION 2024 AA STATE TOURNAMENT

# **DATE/TOURNAMENT SITES**

July 25<sup>th</sup>
Warrensburg High School Athletic Complex
1411 S Ridgeview Drive

This complex provides a turf field, batting cages adjacent to dugouts, great fan accommodations, concessions and a lot of parking. No cameras, banners/signs may be hung on the field netting. Tents are allowed to help with the summer heat, but all spectators need to be mindful of everyone around them. NO outside food or drinks are allowed. NO outside coolers. Concessions will be available throughout game times.

Coaches, NO Metal Spikes. Players may wear turf shoes, molded (rubber/plastic) cleats, tennis shoes. NO Seeds. NO Gum. Each team will be responsible for providing water/hydration drinks in their own dugout. Dugouts are to be cleaned after each game.

July 26-27<sup>th</sup>
UCM Crane Stadium/Tompkins Field
501 S Main Street

Junior Legion players will have the opportunity to play on one of the top DII college fields in the country. This complex provides a turf field, indoor batting cages, excellent fan accommodations, and concessions. The University is providing free parking to spectators in Lots M38 and M34. See attached map. If you choose to park in other locations, you risk the chance of getting a ticket and/or towed and will be responsible for paying all fines and expenses. No hanging cameras, banners/signs on the field netting. Tents are allowed to help with the summer heat, but all spectators need to be mindful of everyone around them. NO outside food or drinks are allowed. NO outside coolers. Concessions will be available both days.

Coaches, NO Metal Spikes. Players may wear turf shoes, molded (rubber/plastic) cleats, tennis shoes. NO Seeds. NO Gum. Each team will be responsible for providing water/hydration drinks in their own dugout. Dugouts are to be cleaned after each game. Each team is allowed 30 minutes of BP prior to their game. A Coach must be in the indoor facility with players. No Coaches/players are allowed in the workout room.

## **GATE FEES**

Daily admission prices are listed below. CASH ONLY.

Adults \$8.00 per day

Veterans.

Seniors and Students \$4.00 per day

Children 6 and under FREE

## LODGING

The Warrensburg Community is eager to Welcome Missouri American Legion AA Baseball to our community. The following Hotels have reserved rooms at a discounted rate however there are other options as well and you are free to make other lodging arrangements.

#### **Holiday Inn Express & Suites**

660-656-2020 1005 Hawthorne Blvd Warrensburg, MO 64093

Rooms reserved under American Legion Junior Tournament. The following rates are available and reserved rooms will be held until July 25<sup>th</sup>. You can book rooms at the link below.

#### Select your room (ihg.com)

Standard double Queen \$109 plus taxes Double Queen Suites \$119 plus taxes

#### Fairfield Inn & Suites

660-422-3540 355 Russell Ave Warrensburg, MO 64093

Rooms reserved under Mule Club American Legion. The following rates are available and reserved rooms will be held until July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Call to book your rooms.

Standard double Queens \$154 plus taxes

#### **Quality Inn**

660-747-3000 626 E Russell Ave. Warrensburg, MO 64093

Rooms reserved under Mule Club American Legion Baseball. The following rates are available and reserved rooms will be held until end of business day July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Call to book your rooms.

Standard double Queen \$80 plus taxes

# **CONCESSIONS**

Concessions will be provided at both athletic complexes. NO outside food or drinks are allowed. NO outside coolers.

## **PREPCASTS**

Mule Club is excited to announce that Shawn Long, PREPCASTS Tiger Nation, will be broadcasting every Missouri American Legion AA State Tournament game! Please find his flyer attached to scan the QR code to watch all the action online! Share the information to all of your family, friends and fans so that if they are unable to make it to The BURG that they can still watch each game Live.

If you could please send your logo to Shawn so that during the broadcast of your game, it can be proudly displayed on the screen. Shawn would love the opportunity to help promote your team and players. If possible, he would like to get access to your Game Changer Stats. If you would prefer to not give access you can share stats via an excel spreadsheet to Shawn at <a href="mailto:burgmuleman@gmail.com">burgmuleman@gmail.com</a>. Your athletes work hard, and he wants to highlight their strengths.

Please help promote the PREPCASTS broadcast. Share his flyer on your social media platforms and websites. They are excited to be working with us to share great American Legion Baseball!!

## MISSOURI AMERICAN LEGION AA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GEAR

You will have the opportunity to purchase an American Legion AA State Championship t-shirt! Wired Graphics, a locally owned vendor has agreed to print shirts. As soon as you secure your spot in the state tournament, send me your logo so it can be proudly placed on the shirt design.

The link and/or QR code will go live on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Pre-orders will be due by **July 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon** to guarantee shirt pick up at the tournament on Friday July 26<sup>th</sup>. Any order placed after that date can be mailed to individuals; \$4 shipping and handling fee will apply. If teams want to place an order bulk shipping rates can be arranged.

alstatechampionshipsmoaa@spiritsale.com



#### WARRENSBURG CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

The City of Warrensburg is excited to Welcome American Legion Baseball July 25-27<sup>th</sup>. Warrensburg is a destination full of rich history and home to an engaging and friendly community. The Visitors Guide will give details on everything our area has to offer.

http://visitwarrensburg.com/





#### **Department of Public Safety**

24 Hour Phone 660-543-4123 Emergency - Call 911

#### **Parking Services**

Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. 306 Broad Street, Warrensburg, MO 64093 660-543-4098

ucmo.edu/ps

