

TO: Mayor & Council

FROM: Kate Barchard, Corporate Officer

DATE: July 25, 2019

SUBJECT: 2019 Bantam Baseball BC Provincials

On August 8-11, 2019, the U15 (Bantam) AAA Baseball BC Provincials will be held at the Pitt Meadows Athletic Park. The following opening comments, on behalf of Council, will be included in the tournament program:

## **Greetings from the City of Pitt Meadows**

On behalf of City Council and the community, Pitt Meadows is proud to welcome 12 top teams for the 2019 Bantam Baseball BC Provincials. This much anticipated four-day tournament hosted by our local Ridge Meadows Minor Baseball Association brings athletes and their families from all across the province to enjoy a weekend of sportsmanship and competitive play at beautiful Pitt Meadows Athletic Park!

Sports are a wonderful way to bring communities together and get involved. I personally have seen the many benefits and opportunities that sports have provided for my own children and now grandchildren. It teaches important life lessons, promotes active and healthy living and inspires others.

Thank you to the coaches, parents, players and many volunteers for their continued commitment and support to make sure tournaments such as these are a success!

Known as the Natural Place, we are a small close-knit community surrounded by great beauty. From lakes, trails and golf courses to brew pubs, restaurants and stores, there's always something to do and see. Just down the street is Osprey Village, a fantastic spot to grab a coffee, bubble tea or ice-cream and take a scenic stroll along the river. I hope you will come explore our wonderful community and experience all that make us feel Pitt Meadows Proud.

There are many enthusiastic baseball fans and players of all ages right here in Pitt Meadows, and we look forward to cheering you on!

Bill Dingwall, Mayor

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