## **FACILITIES**

Veterans Memorial Field House is perfectly suited for indoor baseball. Along with an All-Purpose Gym Floor which is surrounded by various Hitting Screens and Nets, there is also a separate Small Gym. There is also a full length Batting Cage located on the balcony as well as separate rooms for Weight Lifting and viewing films.

## **TUITION**

Only \$155.00 for participants for 5 days of full instruction from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

# **HEALTH**

All care and precaution will be given to each player by our on-staff trainer. The Hit Zone's trainers are all certified and are qualified in CPR and First Aid. In the past our trainers have been Courtney Oak, Lisa Dupuis, and Jen Wasylak.

# **WHAT TO BRING**

\*NO CLEATS\*

Sneakers /Turf Shoes Gym Clothing Fielding Glove

If you wish to bring your own equipment, such as a helmet or bat, you may do so, but please mark all of your equipment. Equipment tends to look alike and The Hit Zone cannot be responsible for lost equipment. The Hit Zone will provide bats, balls, batting helmets, and catching equipment for the players.

It is also recommended, although not required, that ball players bring batting gloves to protect their hands from blisters that may develop from the number of swings taken.

#### **ACADEMY DIRECTOR**

#### MIKE GIARDI

Head Coach – Marblehead High School
4 years of Professional Baseball
Organizations include the Yankees, Giants, and Expos
1994 Graduate of Harvard University
4 Year Starter in Baseball
1994 Ivy League Player of the Year
Two Time All New England Team
1990 Graduate of Salem High School
Captain of Baseball, Basketball and Football
Member of 3 NEC Championship Baseball Teams
1990 Mass. Div. II Player of the Year
Member of 1989 Div. II State Championship Team

#### **Al Giardi, Assistant Director**

1998 Mass. Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame Inductee
22 Year Head Coach at Salem High School
Has over 250 Wins to his name at Salem High School
1 State Championship Team 1989
2 North Championship Teams '89 and '90
3 NEC Championships
Boston Globe Coach of the Year in 1989
6 Time NEC Coach of the Year
Coached Several Professional Baseball Players
Jeff Juden, Doug Canney, Dave MacDonald

## **ACADEMY INTENTIONS**

Since 1995, Mike Giardi has put together the Academy to give young ball players the opportunity to fine tune their skills under the guidance of professional and collegiate players and coaches. The players will learn how to improve their game through drill work that the staff has used throughout their playing and coaching careers. The Academy will feature different teaching tools including:

Tee Work
Soft Toss Drills
Bunting Drills
Batting Cage Work
Sliding Drills on our Sliding Mat
Video Work with our Digital Camera
There will also be base-running work (players will be timed) and individual defensive work by position, including pitching work with the Radar gun.

All of these drills are designed to help improve a young player's game while having fun.

#### **Past and Present Staff Members**

Ryan Healey - Stonehill College Standout

Fred Cole – Franklin Pierce Standout

Dave Angeramo – Former JV Coach Salem Jon Blodgett – Standout Georgetown University Mike Ward - Head Coach Salem State University Jason Tarasuik - Head Coach Marblehead High Seith Bedard – Assistant Baseball Coach, Peabody Eli Munkholm - Former Assistant Salem State Rick O'Leary – Salem State Player/Coach Steve Gridley - Captain Salem State Peter Feeley - Former Minor League Standout Doug Lowe - Bishop Fenwick Standout Dave Morgan – Catcher Toronto Blue Jays Org. Peter Wilk - Head Coach Georgetown University Eric Sholds - Standout at Salem High School and Tufts Joe Correnti - Former Coach Marblehead High School Stephen Sadoski - Catcher Salem and Harvard Gardner O'Flynn – Pitcher Texas Rangers Org. Brett Boretti - Head Coach Columbia University Patrick Thornton - L.L. Coach Portland, Maine Tom Thornton - L.L. Coach Portland, Maine Tim Thornton – L.L. Coach Portland, Maine Sal Orlando, Sr. - Salem Little League Coach Salvi Orlando, Jr. - Salem Senior League Coach Jeff Avigian - Former Danvers' Freshman Baseball Coach William Madden - Outfielder Swampscott + Harvard Jeff January – Catcher Swampscott and UMass Matt Marengi - Pitcher Salem + Tufts University Mike Lavender - Baseball Coach, Peabody High Jamie Flynn -Baseball Coach, Salem High John Silk - Baseball Coach, Salem High Pete Soteropoulos – St. Louis Organization Garrett Greer - All Big East Catcher Boston College Derek Lyons - Div III Player of Year in New England Ryan Leahy – St. John's Prep, BC and Angels Organization

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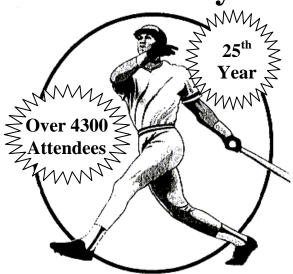
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