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Captains to host Aquafina Pitch, Hit & Run Competition Local skills competition starts May 8

SHREVEPORT, La. – The Shreveport-Bossier Captains will host both local and sectional competitions as part of the free Aquafina Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit & Run Competition, the club announced Tuesday.

The local round is at Fair Grounds Field on Saturday, May 8, and winners will advance to the sectional round, also at Fair Grounds Field, on May 22. Both events begin with registration at 9 a.m.

Pitch, Hit & Run is the Official Skills Competition of Major League Baseball. This grassroots program is designed to provide youngsters with an opportunity to compete, free of charge, in a competition that recognizes individual excellence in core baseball/softball skills.

Competitors are divided into four age divisions: 7/8, 9/10, 11/12 and 13/14, and have the chance to advance through four levels of competition, including Team Championships at Major League ballparks and the National Finals at the 2010 MLB All-Star Game in Anaheim this July.

The individual Pitching, Hitting and Running Champions, along with the All-Around Champion in each age group at the Local Competition will be awarded and advance to the Sectional Level of Competition.

All participants must bring a copy of their birth certificate and fill out a registration/waiver form prior to the start of competition. For questions concerning the competition, please contact Captains local coordinator, Wiley Clark at wclark@sbcaptains.com or 318-636-5555.

More information and sign-up forms are available on the Captains Web site. Participants may email completed forms to Wiley Clark in advance.

The Shreveport-Bossier Captains open the 2010 season in Fort Worth on May 13, and will be on the road for the first series of the year. The home opener is a day-night doubleheader against Pensacola on Tuesday May 18. All games will be broadcast on ESPN Radio, KRMD-1340 AM as well as streaming live on supertalk1340.com. For information on tickets, promotions, advertising, and other opportunities with the Captains, check out the team's Web site at www.sbcaptains.com, or call the Fair Grounds Field office at (318) 636-5555.

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