

The Batter's Box Newsletter

Upcoming Events

2008 Hitting Leagues

Session 1 – January 6-13-20-27

Session 2 – February 3-10-17-24

Session 3 – March 2-9-16-23

Session 4 – April 6-13-20-27

Little Hammers Arena League

Session 1 – January 5-12-19-26

Session 2 – February 2-9-16-23

Session 3 – March 1-8-15-22

Session 4 – April 5-12-19-26

Out of School Camps

December 27-28/9-11am

January 21/9am-3pm

February 15/9am-3pm

February 18/9am-3pm

Velocity Clinics

Session 1 – January 5-12-19-26

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Winter 2008



Cedar Rapids Area Location

Diamond Dreams owner Tim Evans is now available for lessons at the Sport Zone located in Hiawatha. For more information call (319)321-8656.

Diamond Dreams All Skills Clinic Held at U of I Bubble

Diamond Dreams will be holding an all skills clinic at the U of I Bubble on Saturday January 5th from 5:30 to 7:30pm for ages 7-18. Camp members will receive instruction in all areas of the game including hitting, fielding, pitching and baserunning. Instructors include MLB pitcher Wes Obermueller, former Houston Astro Tim Evans, Washington Nationals Farmhand Jim Magrane among others. Cost is \$100 per participant, which includes the camp, T-shirt and a ticket to the Oklahoma State-Iowa Wrestling meet directly afterwards.

Jonny Gilmore Picked 33rd overall by Braves in MLB Draft

Long time Diamond Dreams student Jonny Gilmore was picked 33rd overall by the Atlanta Braves in the 2007 MLB Draft. He was the highest player ever drafted out of the state of Iowa. He spent the 2007 summer in Orlando, FL with the Braves Rookie Level Affiliate.

Website Changes

In an effort to improve your Diamond Dreams experience we are improving our website. We now offer online payment options, fully up to date online calendar of events and are continuing to improve the accessibility and the technologies employed on our site, so please check back regularly to stay up to date on what's new at Diamond Dreams. Additionally, we are beginning to utilize video technology to make our website more interactive for all Diamond Dreams students.

Former DD Instructors – Where are they Now?

Ever wonder what happened to your favorite Diamond Dreams instructor? Here's a list of former Diamond Dreams instructors and what they're doing now.

- Spencer Allen – Ass't Coach at Purdue University
- Mike Clement – Ass't Coach at University of Texas San-Antonio
- Gabe Haugland – JAG Lawyer
- Eric Wordekemper – New York Yankees AA Affiliate

High Intensity Player Program

Diamond Dreams is excited to offer our NEW High Intensity Player Program. This program integrates cutting edge video analysis technology with Diamond Dreams highest level instruction. Each program includes

- 4, One-Hour long sessions with Jim Magrane & Tim Evans – Individual and Groups
- 30 minute pitching/hitting geared to individual needs
- Mental toughness training
- 30 minutes of functional strength and flexibility training for pitchers and hitters
- Video analysis with pro software – baseball specific
- Functional strength testing pre and post program

This is the most aggressive player development program Diamond Dreams has ever implemented. Call today to get started!

Equipment Sale

Diamond Dreams is holding a closeout sale on all equipment in the facility. We are attempting to liquidate all baseball and softball equipment as well as apparel. This means that everything will be on sale at rock bottom prices. All gloves are now 20% off original price and all bats are marked down to near wholesale prices. We carry Rawlings, Easton, Wilson and TPX brand gloves and Easton and TPX bats.

Former Diamond Dreamers Move on

Following is a list of former Diamond Dreams students who have moved on to the professional or college ranks during the past two seasons:

- Jonny Gilmore – Atlanta Braves
- Andrew Ewing – U of Iowa
- Brent Warrant – Oregon State University
- BJ Hermenson – Oregon State University
- Brance Rivera – Texas Christian University
- Jeff Pacha – University of Iowa

- Drake Austin – Northern Iowa
- Reg Hostetler – Northern Iowa
- Jake Astor – DMACC
- Bubba Haurly – DMACC
- Jake Deboer – Southeastern Community College
- Shane Nelson – Central College