

12th ANNUAL
DALTON CRA

INVITATIONAL

**SOFTBALL
TOURNAMENT**



July 15–17, 2022



Community Recreation Association
daltoncra.org

2022 Tournament

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Tournament Location

Pine Grove Park
1 Curtis Ave. • Dalton, MA

Fields 1 and 2 are located at Pine Grove Park.

Registration will take place at the Main Tent Area
near the concession stand

Welcome

July 15, 2022

On behalf of the Dalton CRA Softball Board and the staff of the CRA, I would like to welcome all of you to the 12th Annual Dalton CRA Softball Tournament. The success of this event is a tribute to the dedication of many volunteers involved in the softball program.

We are looking forward to another outstanding tournament. This year we are excited to have 17 teams in 4 divisions representing communities from all over New York and Massachusetts.

I would like to thank the umpire in chief, Fran McKeever, and his crew of umpires for helping out this weekend. Without the umpires, there would be no games. I would also like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to all that helped prepare for the tournament!!

In closing, I ask that everyone enjoy themselves and demonstrate good sportsmanship throughout the weekend! GOOD LUCK to all teams and I hope everyone has a great weekend of softball.

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Tournament Rules

1. All teams are asked to be at the fields 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of each game. We will start all games up to 20 minutes earlier than the scheduled start time.
2. There is **NO** Infield practice on the game field. Teams will warm up before the game and be prepared to start as soon as the field is made playable.
3. All teams must check in prior to their first game and provide the following:
 1. Signed Roster
 2. Birth Certificates/Age Verification Cards
 3. Proof of Insurance*All teams must keep this with them throughout the tournament in case there is an issue.*
4. All games will have a 1 hour and 25 minute time limit; No new inning can start after the time limit. The championship game will have a 2 hour time limit. **ALL GAMES MUST HAVE A WINNER. NO TIES!**
5. All games are scheduled for 7 innings.
6. Any game suspended will resume at the point where play stopped. Any game suspended after 4 ½ or 5 completed innings (team trailing must have 5 AB) will be ruled a complete game.
7. Each team should verify the score after each inning.
8. The home team must report the final score to field marshal/main tent.
9. In the event of a forfeit, the winning team will record a 7-0 win and the forfeiting team will record a 0-7 lose.
10. *If there is inclement weather, the tournament director reserves the right to shorten games or adjust the format or schedule in order to give us the best chance to finish the tournament during the weekend.*
11. Awards will be given to the top 2 teams in each division.
12. The Town of Dalton fields are smoke free facilities.
13. No Dogs are allowed in the parks in the Town of Dalton.

DUGOUT CONDUCT / SPORTSMANSHIP

1. Any manager, coach, scorekeeper, player, or spectator using profanity or exhibiting inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behavior will be removed from the park for that game. If the umpire and/or tournament director feels the behavior was serious enough, the person(s) will be asked to leave the park for the remainder of the tournament.
2. Only the following people (other than the players) are allowed in the dugout area: (1) Manager, (2) Coaches, and (1) Scorekeeper
3. Housekeeping Policy: ***"You bring it in... You take it out."*** Teams should pick up their own dugouts immediately following their game.
4. Tournament games will typically be scheduled back to back, so please vacate the bench area as quickly as possible for the next team coming in for their game. (After game coach's talks to the players can take place outside the bench area.)

Tournament Rules

GENERAL GAME RULES

1. ASA Fast Pitch Rules will govern unless otherwise specified.
2. There will be no use of the Extra Hitter. **The tournament will allow for the DP/Flex rule to apply.**
3. The following rules and points of emphasis will supersede ASA guidelines:
 - a. Coin Flip will determine the home team in the "seeding rounds"/ round robin play. The better seed will be home in the elimination rounds.
 - b. A **"Mercy Rule"** is in effect.
 - 12 Runs thru 3 innings
 - 10 Runs thru 4 innings
 - 8 Runs after 5 innings
 - c. Once approaching the time limit, the 2 teams and the umpire should discuss at the beginning of the inning to decide if that inning is declared the final inning.
 - d. You must have a minimum of 8 players on the field to start the game or the game will be forfeited.
 - e. No limit on the innings pitched by any pitcher.
 - f. If a pitcher is removed from pitching, she can pitch later in the game, as long as she was not taken out of the game. Examples:
 - If the pitcher is taken out of the game and put on the bench, she cannot go back in and pitch later in that same game.
 - If the pitcher is removed from pitching, but remains in the game playing another position on the field, she could come back into the same game as a pitcher.
 - g. Courtesy runners are allowed for pitchers and catchers.
 - h. The HOME team will maintain the official score book.
 - i. There is ABSOLUTELY no protesting of judgment calls by the umpire. A protest of a "ruling" on the field must be made before the next pitch. The protest committee will rule on the protest **before the next pitch is thrown.**

10U SPECIFIC RULES

1. Pitching rubber is 35' from the front of the rubber to the back of home plate
2. 11" softballs will be used.
3. On a walk – the batter is awarded 1st base and cannot try to advance to 2nd base unless a play has been made on that runner.
4. No dropped 3rd strike rule in the 10U division.

Tournament Schedule

10U Division

Participating Teams

Berkshire Force
ACS Swat

The Division Champion will be determined by a
Best 2 out of 3 Series

Game Schedule

Friday, July 15

6:30 pm Berkshire Force @ ACS SWAT Field 2

Saturday, July 16

11:30 am ACS SWAT @ Berkshire Force Field 2

6:30 pm ACS SWAT vs. Berkshire Force Field 2

If Needed

Coin Toss to determine home team

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Tournament Schedule

12U Division

Participating Teams

Dalton Warriors
Berkshire Force
Greylock Thunder
Rip City Softball

All teams will play (2) games and be seeded into a single elimination tournament.

Teams will be seeded based on the following:

1. Record
2. Head to Head
3. Run Differential (Max 10)
4. Runs Allowed
5. Runs Scored
6. Coin Flip

In the event there are multiple teams tied. Once a tie is broken we go back to the first criteria and start over

Game Schedule

Friday, July 15

4:45 pm Dalton Warriors vs. Rip City Field 2

Saturday, July 16

8:00 am Berkshire Force vs. Greylock Thunder Field 2

1:15 pm Dalton Warriors vs. Berkshire Force Field 2

4:45 pm Greylock Thunder vs. Rip City Field 2

Sunday, July 17

11:30 am 4th Seed @ 1st Seed Field 2

1:15 pm 3rd Seed @ 2nd Seed Field 2

4:45 pm **CHAMPIONSHIP GAME** Field 2

Tournament Schedule

14U Division Participating Teams

Dalton Warriors
Great Barrington Visors
ACS SWAT
KC North Roos

All teams will play (2) games and be seeded into a single elimination tournament.

Teams will be seeded based on the following:

- Record
- Head to Head
- Run Differential (Max 10)
- Runs Allowed
- Runs Scored
- Coin Flip

In the event there are multiple teams tied. Once a tie is broken we go back to the first criteria and start over

Game Schedule

Friday, July 15

7:00 pm	Dalton Warriors vs. Great Barrington Visors	Field 1
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Saturday, July 16

9:45 am	KC North Roos vs. Dalton Warriors	Field 2
3:00 pm	Great Barrington Visors vs. ACS SWAT	Field 2
6:30 pm	KC North Roos vs. ACS SWAT	Field 1

Sunday, July 17

9:45 am	4th Seed @ 1st Seed	Field 2
11:30 am	3rd Seed @ 2nd Seed	Field 1
3:00 pm	CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	Field 2

Tournament Schedule

16U Division

Participating Teams

Halfmoon Lightning
Brunswick
Mass Destruction
KC North Roos

Greylock Thunder
ACS SWAT
Berkshire Liberty

All teams will play (2) games and be seeded into a single elimination tournament.

Teams will be seeded based on the following:

- Record
- Head to Head
- Run Differential (Max 10)
- Runs Allowed
- Runs Scored
- Coin Flip

In the event there are multiple teams tied. Once a tie is broken we go back to the first criteria and start over

Game Schedule

Friday, July 15

5:15 pm Berkshire Liberty vs. Greylock Thunder Field 1

Saturday, July 16

8:00 am Greylock Thunder vs. Mass Destruction Field 1

9:45 am Halfmoon vs. Brunswick Field 1

11:30 am KC North Roos vs. Mass Destruction Field 1

1:15 pm ACS SWAT vs. Brunswick Field 1

3:00 pm Halfmoon vs. Berkshire Liberty Field 1

4:45 pm ACS SWAT vs. KC North Roos Field 1

Sunday, July 17

8:00 am Game 1 7th Seed @ 2nd Seed Field 1

8:00 am Game 2 6th Seed @ 3rd Seed Field 2

9:45 am Game 3 5th Seed @ 4th Seed Field 1

1:15 pm Game 5 Game 3 Winner @ 1st Seed Field 1

3:00 pm Game 4 Game 1 Winner vs. Game 2 Winner Field 1

4:45 pm **CHAMPIONSHIP GAME** **Field 1**

Concessions

Pine Grove Park

The Concession Stand will be open throughout the Tournament.

Find us behind home plate at Field 1!

Good luck teams!





The CRA Athletic Hall of Fame maintains the rich heritage and tradition of successful athletic programs within the town of Dalton and surrounding towns – specifically, Hinsdale, Windsor, Cummington, Peru, Becket, Washington). It serves as a means of recognizing, preserving and honoring individuals who have made significant contributions to the athletic programs. It honors the contributions and accomplishments of these individuals who are worthy of recognition as examples for others to emulate.

Visit daltoncra.org to view a list of the Inductees and their accomplishments.

All proceeds of the CRA Athletic Hall of Fame will be used to help fund financial assistance for our youth sports programs and camperships at the CRA.

Executive Committee:

Dustin Belcher, Chairman, Gary Campbell, Jr., Joanne Dowling, Jackie McLaughlin, Patrick West



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