

2024 WEST HILL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT Information

UPDATED VERSION: POST SHOULDICE CANCELLATION, MOVE TO OPTIMIST

TOURNAMENT SUMMARY

Welcome to the 4th edition of the West Hill Softball Hits & Spits Tournament! We are looking forward to hosting:

- 67 teams (25 more than our previous record high)
- 22 different organizations
- 15 cities across Alberta and Saskatchewan
- 11 total divisions in U9, U11, U13, U15, and U19.
- 155 total games
- 104 pool games
- 51 playoff/medal games

Please read through our information package to learn more about the overall tournament and surrounding areas.

We wish you luck at the tournament and don't be afraid to ask us any questions.

Look for us at the fields in our West Hill Softball red shirts or various hoodies!

REGISTRATION / SIGN-IN:

All teams must sign in to our Info Tents (or tables) at **Glamorgan** or **Optimist** fields before their first game to receive their team package (including: Rules, Info, Maps, Scoresheets, Line-up cards, player swag, Spitz, and more!)

- Glamorgan Info Tent will be on the west side near the backstop of Field #13 (off 50th Street)
- Optimist Info Table will be place in the middle of the 4 diamonds by the shack.
- West Hill teams at Glenbrook Friday we ask that you drop by the Info tent at Glamorgan to pick up yours
- Team Packages for Saturday Glenbrook will be brought to your field (or you can pick-up at Glamorgan prior)
- Pick-up times are Friday between 4:00-7:00pm and Saturday after 7:00am



MAPS / FIELD LOCATIONS / PARKING

There are now THREE main field areas, with auxiliary fields (if necessary). All field locations are available in the TeamSnap app, and can be found in this link:

Interactive Calgary SW Field Google Map

Location	Diamond#	Sponsor	Address	Google Link	Field Map Photo
Optimist (u15+) +INFO TENT	OP5	-	5020 26 Ave SW	<u>Google</u> <u>Map</u>	Optimist Field #s
	OP8	TriWest Capital Partners			
	OP9	Atlantic Pacific Wood Fab.			
	OP10	JLL Corp. Real Estate			
	OP11	Fluid Energy			
Glamorgan (u9-u19) +INFO TENT	GM11	UniqEnergy	4820 Glamorgan Way SW (S of Richmond Rd off 50 St)	<u>Google</u> <u>Map</u>	Glamorgan Field #s
	GM 12	Centre for Healthy Living			
	GM 13	CorMac Projects			
	GM 14	-			
	GM 8	Fluid Energy			
	GM 10	DM Real Estate			
Glenbrook (u11-u13)	GB1	-	4725 33 Ave SW (N of Richmond Rd off 45 St)	Google <u>Map</u>	Glenbrook Field #s
	GB3	-			
Currie (Sainte- Marguerite)	CSM	-	4826 Richard Rd SW (off Mt. Royal Gate SW)	Google <u>Map</u>	Currie Field Photo
Signal Hill 1	SH1	Back-up only if rain delays	2063 Sirocco Dr SW (on Sirocco south of 17 th Ave)	Google <u>Map</u>	<u>Signal Hill</u> <u>Photo</u>

Additional maps and field permits can be found at: https://www.westhillsoftball.ca/about-us/locations/

PARKING

- There are no parking lots at Glamorgan, but plenty of street parking around the entire perimeter of the park
- Please be courteous not to block any home driveways or bus stops, tickets have been given in the past.
- Optimist parking is scare in the lot, there is an auxiliary lot on dirt round north of the very end of 26 Ave as well as St. Gregory school and street parking along 26 Ave.
- Currie: please avoid parkade paid parking, there lots of free spots.

PORTA-POTTY AVAILABILITY

- · Optimist diamonds have full bathrooms available in the middle of the quad and in the arena building
- Glamorgan, Glenbrook, Currie diamonds will have multiple porta-potties available
- Note: The LOCKED porta-potties do not belong to West Hill Softball they will remain locked.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING

- At Glamorgan, please do not use the city garbage bins, as we are unable to empty them during the weekend
- Please place all your garbage and recycling in the bags provided attached to the backstops.
- By separating bottles/cans (into the blue garbage bags), you are helping donate back to West Hill Softball.

PETS

- Pets are not allowed at all Athletic Parks / sports fields in Calgary (Bylaw 23M2006).
- If you do choose to bring a pet, it is at your own risk. Please ensure leashed and not on the diamonds.

GAME & TOURNAMENT LOGISITICS

TOURNAMENT RULES (Posted Here)

- Will both be provided in your package and available on our website and in the TeamSnap app.
- Be aware of tournament specific rules around Time, Run & Pitching limits, among other things.

UMPIRES

- We are expecting carded CMSUA umpire coverage across our u13+ divisions.
- We hope to provide volunteer / non-carded umpires for the u9/u11 games
- If no umpire is available for your game, we ask that the home team provides the plate umpire. In this case, visiting team may supply a base umpire. Umpire equipment available at each field.
- Respect ALL umpires, carded or not. There is a zero tolerance policy for any verbal or physical abuse towards umpires. All umpire decisions are FINAL.

UMPIRE BALLOTS - PRIZES! *NEW*

- Each team receives 3 "My Favour(ite) Umpire" (typo!) ballots in their team bags
- Each team can fill it out after their game with the umpire's name and take to the info tent
- If your nomination is drawn, both your team and the umpire will win a Gift Card Prize!

WARM-UP AREAS / BENCH ETIQUETTE

- At Optimist, you may use the areas outside the fenced diamonds for warm-ups. Diamond #7 will also be empty and can be used for warm-up (please share with other teams).
- At Glamorgan, warm-up areas are also limited (see map for options)
- Please warm-up far enough in the outfields between fields not to interfere with the games
- Please be respectful to not to get in the way of the live games or any spectators while warming up
- Spectators, please be respectful to leave space for the next teams to warm-up
- No infield warmups will be permitted before games
- Upon completion of your games, please vacate the bench area immediately so next game can start ASAP.

FIELD MAINTENANCE

- WHS will be providing field preparation between most games through our volunteer sign-up
- Optimist will have city workers that will refresh the field between every second game
- If a volunteer is NOT available, a rake will be left near each field for each team to help out where you can.
- No games are to be delayed due to Field Maintenance

TOURNAMENT GAME SOFTBALLS

• Game balls will be provided by the league. At conclusion of the games, umpires or teams are to <u>return game</u> <u>balls to bin behind the backstop for the next games, please!</u>

SCORESHEETS & SUBMITTING SCORES

- Please include player FULL names and jersey # on your scoresheet.
- Please keep all completed scoresheets for record if requested by Tournament Committee.
- We require # of innings each team came to bat be tracked for tiebreaking processes (partial innings count)
- Winning teams to submit scores (& innings played) within 20 minutes via ONE of the following methods:
 - 1. **TS App.**: Enter the score plus the number of innings directly into TeamSnap Tournament app.
 - 2. **TEXT**: If you are unable to enter, please send the full details via text to: Sandy B, 403-630-0212
 - 3. **Paper:** Bring your scoresheet to the Info Tent / Tables.

HEART & HUSTLE

- We are pleased to have 4 Heart & Hustle awards for each team, one for each guaranteed games. No extras.
- Coaches from both teams, please work with each other to recognize one player from each team

TOURNAMENT FUN STUFF

PHOTOGRAPHER

- We are pleased to have an official event photographer, Inspired By A&A Photography Saturday at Glamorgan.
- No photos will be posted to social media. Photos will be available online for purchase after the event.
- If you wish to opt your child out of photography, please contact the photographer in advance: inspiredbyaaphotography@gmail.com
- A portion of proceeds goes back to support West Hill Softball, so please take a look!

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST (Sponsored by: DCW Professional Corporation)

- We are doing it again, but this time on SATURDAY morning at Glamorgan Info Tent (approx. 9:00am-11:30am).
- Our friends at Calgary Stampede will be serving up handheld pancake/sausage burger-style; so yummy!

FOOD TRUCKS

- WHS has secured food trucks for the tournament, look for them on or by the diamonds! (subject to change)
 - o At Glamorgan (Kona Ice & Primal Pizza) (Saturday & Sunday)
 - Optimist (Pink Door Pizza) (Sunday only)
- A portion of all food truck sales is donated back to West Hill Softball; we encourage you to support them!

CONCESSION & LOCAL FOOD OPTIONS

- Info tents at Glamorgan will be selling water, energy drinks, chips, candy, and extra Spitz!
- All profits go back to West Hill Softball organization. All sales will be CASH ONLY.
- Tons of restaurant options nearby in Westhills, minutes from the fields.
- Visit our tournament Sponsors Spot On Kitchen & Bar (near Currie/Glamorgan) or Original Joe's Aspen
- Regular City of Calgary Public Park by-laws in effect at Glenbrook & Glamorgan, NO alcohol is permitted.

RAFFLE DRAWS & CANDY PULL

- We once again have some fantastic sponsor-donated prize baskets for our tournament raffle this year
- Volunteers will be selling cash-only Raffle tickets, please bring some cash to support our program!
- Many local businesses have donated great prizes for our raffle
- Ticket Prices: \$2 for 1, \$5 for 3, \$10 for 6, or \$20 for 20
- You may place as many of your raffle tickets into any of the item boxes; winners are eligible for multiple prizes
- Ticket sales / entries at Glamorgan until 12:00pm SUNDAY, and OPTIMIST until 10:00am SUNDAY.
- The winners will be selected by 1:00pm and will be contacted by phone/email
- A Candy Pull has been setup for our games at Optimist

Raffle Prizes include: (subject to change)

Superstore Liquor, Girl + Friend Collective, Travel & Will Package, Sport Basket, Candy Basket, Movie Night Basket, GNU Spirts Basket, Kitchen Essentials Basket. <u>List of Baskets & Photos on our website</u>

SPONSORS

We are lucky to have 9 DIAMOND SPONSORS FOR 2024 (\$500+ cash donations), including:

CorMac Projects
Atlantic Pacific Wood Fabrications
DM Real Estate

Center for Healthy Living TriWest Capital Partners JLL Corporate Real Estate

Unique Energy Fluid Energy

EMERGENCIES & WEATHER

FIRST AID & ICE PACKS

- A First aid kit will be placed at each Glamorgan/Glenbrook diamond in the ball bin behind home plate
- Larger first aid kits will be available at the Info Tent at Optimist & Glamorgan, along with additional ice packs.
- Please come see the great volunteers at the Info Tent if you need anything.

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR GLENBROOK FIELDS & GLAMORGAN PARK:

• Emergency phone numbers: 9-1-1 for all emergencies

• Address of Softball facility: Glamorgan Park SW, on 50 St SW (between 40 Ave & 46 Ave)

Glenbrook: 4915 35 Ave SW, Calgary Optimist: 5020 26 Ave SW, Calgary

• Address of nearest hospital: Rockyview General Hospital, 7007 14 Street SW (10-12 min)

Foothills Hospital, 1403 29 St NW (12-14 min)

Alberta Children's Hospital, 28 Oki Drive NW (off Shaganappi) (12-14 min)

WEATHER POLICY / TOURNAMENT CANCELLATIONS

- Every effort will be made to complete the event. Regardless of weather conditions, your team must go to the diamond for your scheduled game. Teams will be contacted via TeamSnap if delays/cancellations are to occur.
- Only the Tournament Chairperson will cancel the tournament due to weather conditions.
- If weather interrupts play, tournament organizers reserve the right to shorten games in order to finish on time
- Weather delays during game: Umpires may call the game due to playing conditions and/or player safety; final score will be recorded from the last completed inning played (including current inning if the home team is batting with a lead), regardless of number of innings played. Games should be delayed, rather than ended, if still within the game time limit.

TOURNAMENT AIR QUALITY POLICY

The following restrictions apply for our tournament, in case of hazardous smoke conditions:

- Air Quality Index < 6 = Games are played
- Air Quality Index of 6-8 = Decision will be left to tournament organizers & UIC
- Air Quality Index of 9+ = Games will NOT be played

REFUND POLICY:

 No refunds are provided once the tournament has begun. However, if the tournament weekend needs to be cancelled, shortened, or unable to complete, tournament officials will determine appropriate partial refund based on games played.

TOURNAMENT CONTACTS:

<u>Tournament@westhillsoftball.ca</u> (All general Inquiries)

Weekend Emergency Contacts (phone/text)

Craig (403) x-x (for any field issues)

Sandy (403) x-x (for any tournament info, scoring, raffle, etc.)

Brian (403) x-x (for any rule questions, etc.)