

2025 WEST HILL SOFTBALL HITS & SPITS TOURNAMENT Information Package

TOURNAMENT SUMMARY

Welcome to the 5th edition of the West Hill Softball Hits & Spits Tournament! We are looking forward to hosting:

- 82 teams and **1000 athletes** both new records!
- 30 different organizations from 21 cities across AB, BC, and SK (8 more than last year!)
- 14 Divisions from u9 to u19 (3 more than ever!)
- 180+ total games, 120 pool games & 60 playoff/medal games (30 more than last year!)
- And with any luck, our first year of good weather (Hah!???)

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

REGISTRATION / SIGN-IN:

All teams must sign in to our Info Tents at **Glamorgan** or **Optimist** fields PRIOR to their FIRST GAME. You will be provided your team package (includes: Info, Scoresheets, Line-up cards, player swag, and more!)

- Teams with first game at GLENBROOK, we will deliver your info package to you at your diamond.
- WHS Teams with first game at STRATHCONA, we will coordinate with you for pick-up
- Glamorgan: The Info Tent will be found on the west side near the backstop of Field #13 (off 50th Street)
- Optimist: The Info Tent will be found in the middle of the quad diamonds by the shack.
- Pick-up times: Friday between 3:30-7:00pm and Saturday after 7:00am. You may pick-up in advance.

Hits and Spits Old Dutch!

We are going CANADIAN for our Sunflower Seeds!
Welcoming our NEW Sponsor: OLD DUTCH FOODS (based in Winnipeg)
Old Dutch has additionally donated a bag of chips to all 1000 participants!
https://www.olddutchfoods.ca/product-flavour/old-dutch/nuts-seeds

Support WHS! Buy your 50/50 Tickets with this QR code!





FIELD LOCATION DETAILS / MAPS / PARKING / GARBAGE

There are now THREE main park areas, plus auxiliary fields (if necessary).

All field locations are available in TeamSnap Tournament app, or in this link:

Interactive Calgary SW Field Google Map

Location	Diamond#	Diamond Sponsor	Address	Google Link	Field Map Photo
Optimist (u15+) +INFO TENT +FOOD TRUCKS	OP5	Derrick Newman Group	5020 26 Ave SW	<u>Google</u> <u>Map</u>	Optimist Field #s
	OP7	Crumbl Westhills			
	OP8	Primex Painting			
	OP9	Regal Beagle Pub			
	OP10	Old Dutch Foods			
	OP11	Johnson Controls			
Glamorgan (u9-u15) +INFO TENT +FOOD TRUCKS +PANCAKE BREAKIE	GM11	LNS Accountants	4820 Glamorgan Way SW (S of Richmond Rd off 50 St)	Google <u>Map</u>	Glamorgan Field #s
	GM 12	Long View Systems			
	GM 13	Barrel Oil Corp			
	GM 14	Everstone Capital			
	GM 8 & GM 10	-			
Glenbrook (u11-u13)	GB1	-	4725 33 Ave SW (N of Richmond Rd off 45 St)	Google Map	Glenbrook Field #s
	GB3	-			
Bishop Carroll / Currie / Ste-Marg.	CSM	Back-up only if rain delays	4826 Richard Rd SW; Free parking at the schools; Parkade is pay parking	Google Map	Currie Field Photo
Dr. Roberta Bondar	ST9	Back-up only if rain delays	1580 Strathcona Dr SW	Google Map	-

PARKING

- There are NO parking lots at Glamorgan, but plenty of street parking around the perimeter of the park
- Please be courteous: do not block any home driveways or bus stops. Tickets have been issued in the past
- Optimist parking is scarce in the lot. There is an auxiliary dirt lot accessed from the very end of 26 Ave (north).
 Additional street parking along 26th Ave, and at St.Gregory school
- Currie/Ste-Marguerite: Please avoid paid parking lots (parkade); there are free spots at the schools (longer walk)

PORTA-POTTY AVAILABILITY

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

GARBAGE & REFUNDABLES

- At Glamorgan, additional garbage (black) and refundable (blue) bins will be made available at each diamond.
- By separating bottles/cans (into the blue bins), you are helping donate back to the West Hill community
- We ask that you do NOT use the Glamorgan city bins (we do not have ability to empty these ourselves).
- Refundable proceeds will go directly to help WHS Families cover fees, so all kids can play ball!

PETS

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

GAME & TOURNAMENT LOGISITICS

TOURNAMENT RULES (Posted Here)

- Will only be available online and on the TeamSnap app (no printed copies will be sent).
- Be aware of tournament specific rules for: time limits, run & pitching limits, game tiebreakers, among others

UMPIRES

- We are expecting carded CMSUA umpire coverage across most of our u13+ divisions.
- We are attempting to provide volunteer / non-carded umpires for the u9/u11 and some u13 games
- If no umpire is available for your game, we ask that the home team (per schedule) please provides the plate umpire. In this case, we ask the visiting team to supply a base umpire if possible. Umpire equipment will be available at each field.
- <u>Umpire Advocates</u> (per Calgary Minor policy) to be provided by both teams for any junior umpire.
- Respect ALL umpires. 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 Favourite Umpire" 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 (official, junior, or volunteer) by Sunday, 12:00PM.
- If your nomination is drawn, both the <u>nominated umpire</u> AND the <u>nominating team</u> will win a gift card prize!

WARM-UP AREAS / BENCH ETIQUETTE

- At Optimist, you may use the areas outside the fenced diamonds for warmups. Diamond off 26 Ave also avail.
- At Glamorgan, warm-up areas are also limited (<u>see map for options</u>)
- 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-ups
- Optimist will have city workers that will refresh the diamonds (likely every second game)
- If a volunteer is NOT available, a rake will be left near each field for teams to help prepare diamond
- 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> balls to bin behind the backstop for the next games, please!

SCORESHEETS & SUBMITTING SCORES

- Please include player FULL names & jersey # on your scoresheet. Fill the top section game info in its entirety!
- Scoresheets are to be completed by BOTH teams on BOTH sides of the paper
- Submit Scoresheets to Glamorgan or Optimist Info Tent within 30 minutes of the end of your game
- Exception for other diamonds: Please deliver to Glamorgan tent, or email photo: tournament@westhillsoftball.ca

HEART & HUSTLE

- We are pleased to have 4 Heart & Hustle awards for each team, one for each guaranteed game
- 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! KmmC Photography is excited to be attending. They will be offering photo packages for athletes to go home with amazing action shots during one of their games! Photo packages start at 5 digital photos for \$20! Feel free to email them at kmmcphoto@gmail.com to book a package early or make sure to stop by our table at Glamorgan! We can't wait to meet you all! Kathryn & Mary

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST - SATURDAY AT GLAMORGAN! (Sponsored by West Hill Softball!)

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

FATHER'S DAY COFFEE & TREATS & GIFT BASKET DRAW

- For all Dads... we will be serving up coffee and morning treats on Sunday at the Info Tents come get yours!
- Nominate your Dad (FREE!) to win an awesome Father's Day basket at Info Tents (donated by <u>DM Real Estate</u>)

FOOD TRUCKS, CONCESSION, & LOCAL FOOD OPTIONS

- WHS has secured **food trucks** for the tournament at Glamorgan & Optimist fields for each day (Fri/Sat/Sun)
- Info tents at Glamorgan & Optimist will be selling CANDY, food / energy drinks, chips, water and extra seeds!
- All concession sales will be CASH ONLY, and all profits go back to West Hill Softball Association
- Tons of restaurant options also nearby in Westhills, minutes from the fields
- Visit our local tournament Diamond Sponsor Regal Beagle Pub on 17 Ave, kid friendly, see flyer for discounts!
- Regular City of Calgary Public Park by-laws in effect at Glenbrook & Glamorgan, NO alcohol is permitted

CRUMBLE CUPS!

- Once again, our consolation 4th, 5th, and 7th place games will compete for a sweet treat!
- This year, Crumbl Westhills will be graciously baking and packaging up cookies for all our Crumbl Cup winners!
- Crumbl is also planning to sell their amazing cookies on site at Glenbrook diamonds on Saturday!

FUN GAMES & CONTESTS

- We will have some fun games (Giant Jenga, Cornhole, Connect 4, Tug O' War, etc.)
- @Optimist: **Team Tug O' War**: Challenge another team, then submit your ballot for chance to win a team prize!
- @Glamorgan: **Team Cornhole**: Challenge another team, then submit your ballot for chance to win a team prize!

50/50 DRAW

- We are conducting our first ever 50/50 Raffle Box online! Please see our QR codes listed at the diamonds and in this package, or follow this link: https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/whs (\$2 for 1, \$10 for 7, or \$20 for 20).
- All proceeds will go back to support West Hill Softball!

RAFFLE PRIZES / DRAW

- We once again have some fantastic sponsor-donated prize baskets to raffle off again this year!
- We will conduct separate raffles at Optimist and Glamorgan diamonds
- Volunteers will be selling raffle tickets, please bring some cash to support our program!
- CASH ONLY! Ticket Prices: \$2 for 1, \$5 for 3, or \$10 for 10
- 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 & Optimist until 11:30am SUNDAY.
- The winners will be selected by 12:00pm and will be contacted by phone/email
- Please view our Raffle basket prizes on our website: https://www.westhillsoftball.ca/programs/tournament-raffle/

2025 DIAMOND SPONSORS

<u>Crumbl Westhills</u> <u>Old Dutch Foods</u> <u>Regal Beagle Pub</u> <u>Johnson Controls</u>

Barrel Oil Corp Primex Painting Everstone Capital LNS Accountants

Long View Systems Derrick Newman Group Real Estate

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 occur.
- Only the Tournament Director will cancel the tournament due to weather conditions.
- If weather interrupts play, tournament organizers reserve the right to shorten games / schedules as necessary.
- Weather delays during game: Umpires may call the game due to playing conditions and/or player safety. Games should be paused, rather than ended, if still within the game time limit. If the game is unable to be completed, the 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. Tournament Directors may extend current games (push back later games) due to weather delays. Updates will be communicated through the TeamSnap Tournaments App.

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:

Please see the great volunteers at our info tents for any questions (fields, rules, scoring, raffle, general info, etc.) or to report any issues regarding the tournament. Otherwise, please email tournament@westhillsoftball.ca (leave your contact phone # for quicker response).

SUPPORT OUR ASSOCIATION

Buy your 50/50 Tickets Today at the following QR Code & link Deadline: Sunday, 1:59pm MT



Online Link:

https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/whs

THANK YOU AND HAVE FUN!