

Welcome TO BRIDGTON

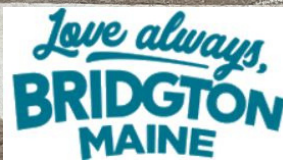
FOR THE

2023 MAINE BABE RUTH



STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

8U, 10U, 12U



JR. HARMON FIELD
OAK ST. BRIDGTON

HAM COMPLEX
40 BRAG WAY BRIDGTON



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Welcome

Welcome to the 2023 Maine Babe Ruth Softball State Tournament and to Bridgton, Maine! We are delighted to have you join us in town on July 14, 15, and 16. Players from all over the state will come to compete for the top spot in the 8U, 10U, and 12U age divisions! We look forward to a great weekend of softball!

Bridgton Recreation and Babe Ruth take sportsmanship very seriously and expect that everyone will treat others with respect, let the player play, the coaches coach, and the umpires to officiate. This tournament is about an opportunity for children to play a game they love and we want everyone to have a positive happy experience!

There is an entry fee for fans and spectators so please bring cash as we do not accept credit cards at the gate.

Weekend Gate Fee:

\$8.00

(Wrist Band Required / Good For Both Fields) (Friday-Sunday)

Daily Gate Fee:

\$5.00

8U

Auburn Maroon, Greene, Andy Valley, Auburn Grey

10U

**Andy Valley, Mt. Ararat, Oak Hill, Brunswick, Turner, Auburn,
Southwestern- Maine, Greene, Andy Valley**

12U

**Auburn Maroon, Turner, Lisbon, Auburn Grey,
Brunswick, Mt. Ararat, Andy Valley**

In this guide you will find the tournament brackets, 8U pitching rules, and an area guide to food, places to stay, and other great opportunities you can take advantage of while in Bridgton and the the Lakes Region.



Good Luck To All The Teams!





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TOURNEY MACHINE

HAM COMPLEX 40 BRAG WAY BRIDGTON

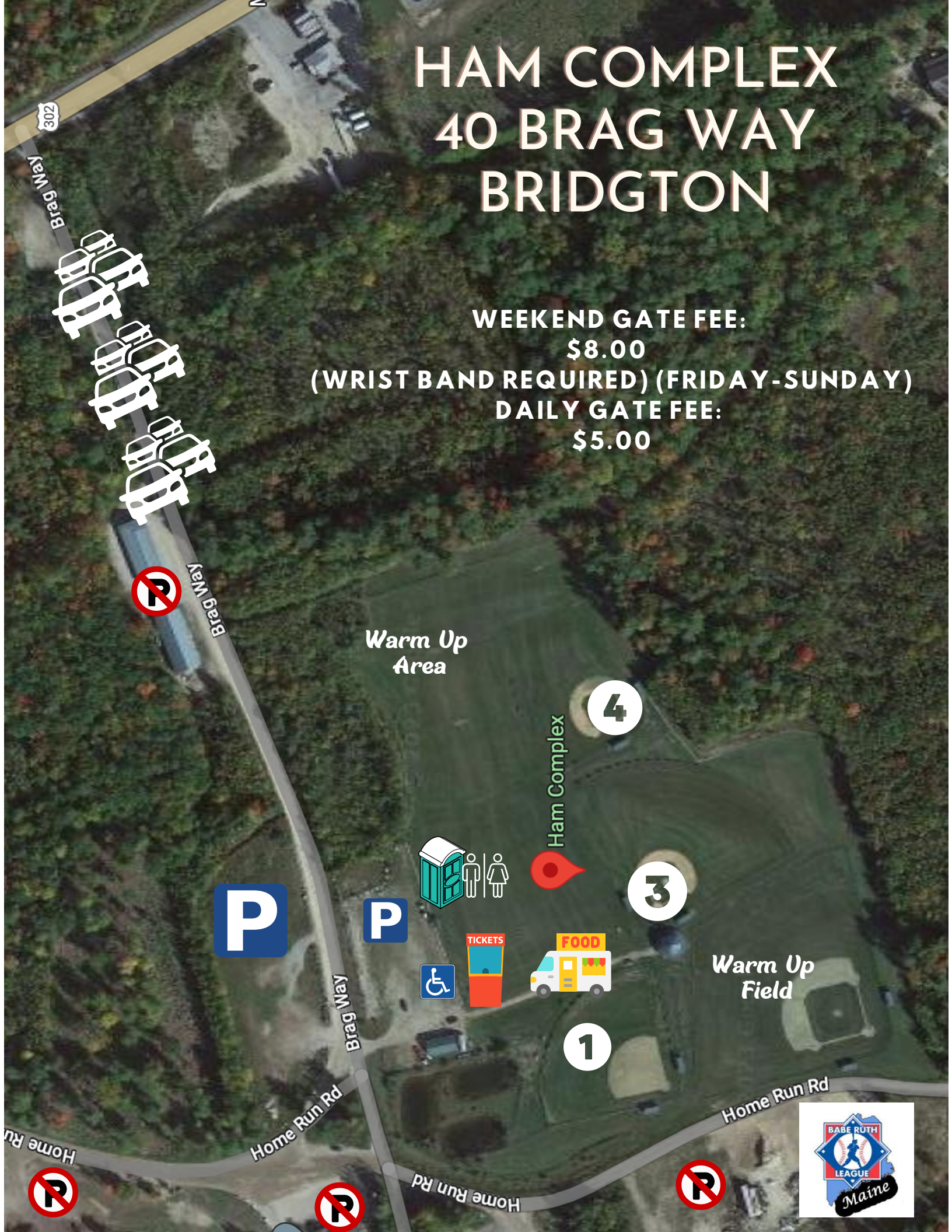
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Warm Up
Area

Ham Complex

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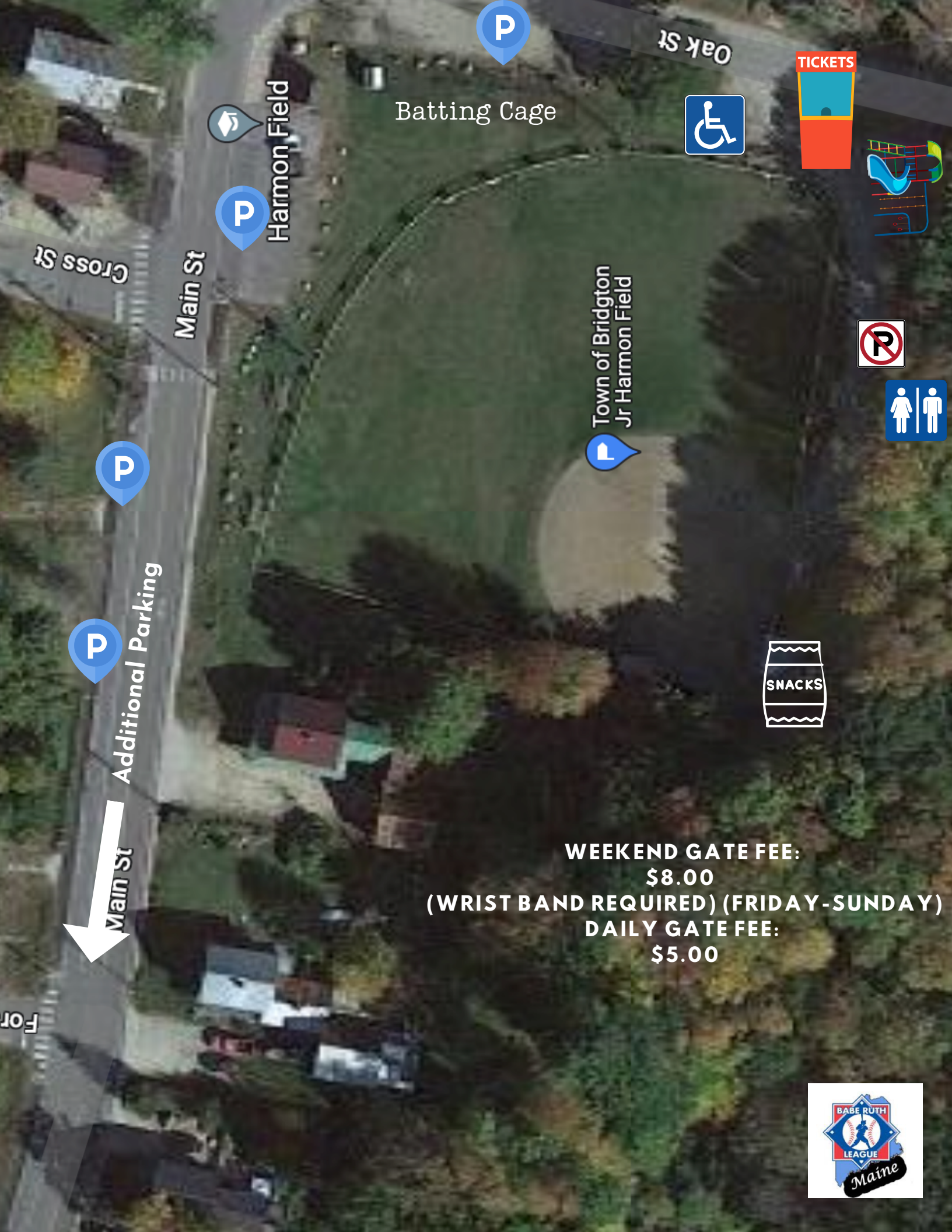
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Warm Up
Field





Oak St

Batting Cage



Harmon Field



Cross St

Main St

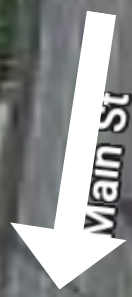
Town of Bridgton
Jr Harmon Field



Additional Parking



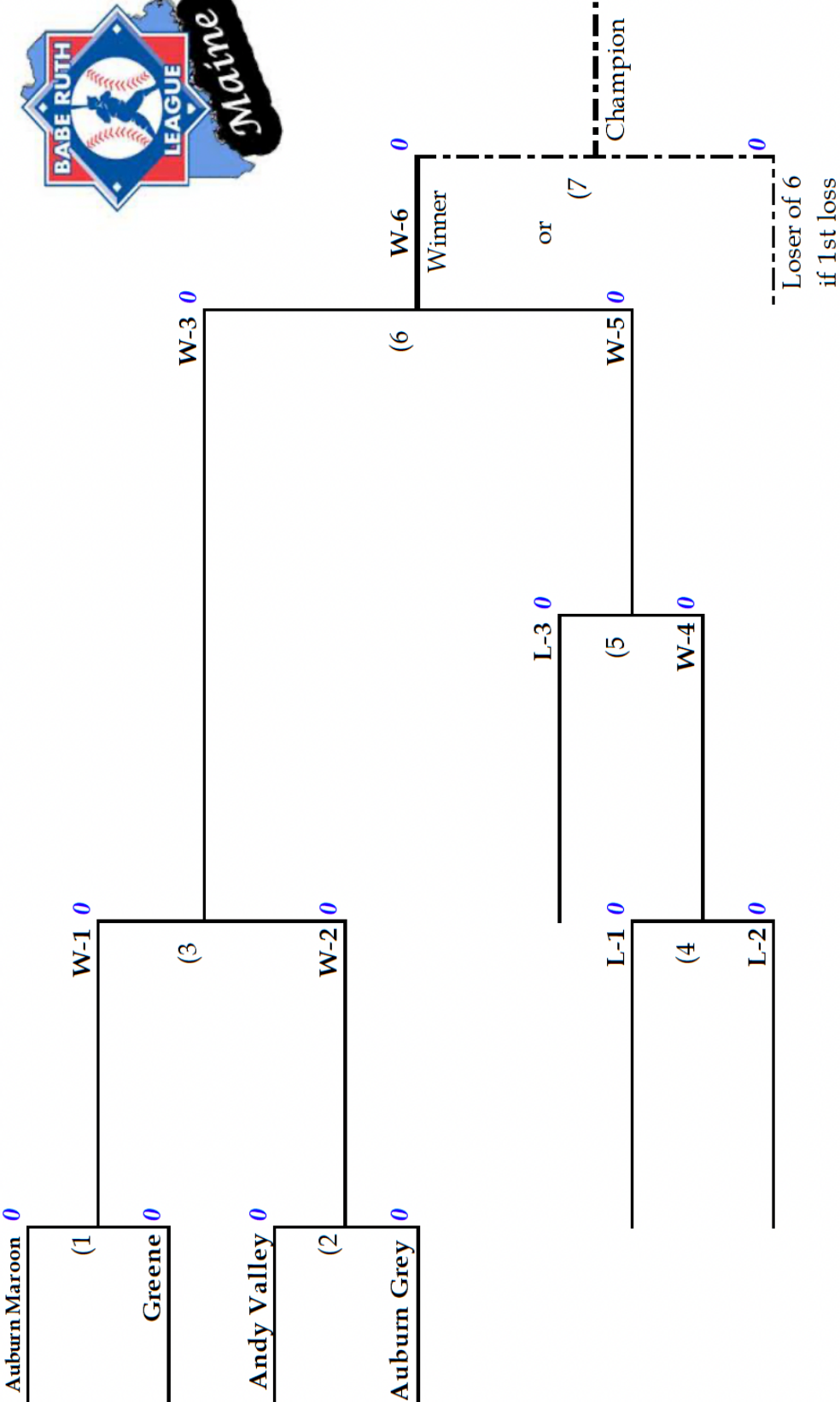
Main St



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Softball 8U 7/14/23 - 7/16/23 2023 Maine Babe Ruth Softball State Softball Tournament



Game	Level	Day	Time	Field
1	U8	Saturday	8:30 AM	Ham Field 3
2	U8	Saturday	8:30 AM	Ham Field 4
3	U8	Saturday	11:00 AM	Ham Field 3
4	U8	Saturday	11:00 AM	Ham Field 4
5	U8	Saturday	1:30 PM	Ham Field 4
6	U8	Sunday	11:00 AM	Harmon
IF	U8	Sunday	1:30 PM	Harmon

11.07-8U COACH PITCH

All Babe Ruth Softball 8 & Under post-season tournament rules and regulations shall comply with applicable Babe Ruth 12&U Division rules and regulations AND the 10&U tournament rules, as approved the clarification/addition of the following:

- a. Game is played to completion, time rule or mercy rule.
- b. There will be a five (5) runs per inning limit with an open 6th inning.
- c. Team composition shall consist of nine (9) players as follows: Pitcher, Catcher, 1st Baseman, 2nd Baseman, 3rd Baseman, Shortstop, Leftfielder, Centerfielder, and Right fielder. The team may select to use an extra player (EP). (See the extra player rule explanation 11.05 #10 on page 53.)
- d. If the Extra Player option is used, there may be ten (10) batters listed in the batting order for tournament games.
- e. Tournament teams who use Coach pitch. The Coach will be allowed to give the batter instructions. The Coach pitcher must start with both feet on the 35 ft. rubber. The Coach pitcher must make an attempt to get out of the defensive player's way when fielding or throwing.
- f. If the Coach pitcher, by standing straight up or not moving out of the field of play, forces a player to throw over the coach or intentionally hinders the player fielding or throwing the ball, interference may be called and a penalty applied.
- g. Even though the team will utilize Coach pitch, the player fielding the pitching position must take a defensive position in line with, or slightly behind the pitching rubber and within the pitching circle.
- h. Each batter will have three (3) swinging strikes or a maximum of six (6) pitches. There are no called balls or strikes on the batter. (An out will be recorded if the batter fails to put the ball in play after six (6) pitches.) If the 6th pitch is hit foul (or successive pitch(es) fouled off), the batter will receive another pitch.
- i. Although the tournament team composition recommended a minimum of 12 or a maximum of 15 players, Manager and three (3) Coaches, the team's scorekeeper may set up at the outside of the dug-out and assist with control of the team players while the Coach pitcher is on the mound and the other two in the coaching boxes.
- j. There is no "stealing" at the 8&U level, therefore, the baserunner(s) must maintain contact with the base until the pitched ball reaches the plate.
- k. The playing field shall be as described in Rule 1.04 with the following exception: the pitching rubber will be set at thirty five (35) feet.
- l. Rawlings 11" softballs, properly stamped "Official Babe Ruth Softball" must be used for all tournament competitions.
- m. No infield fly rule.



Andy Valley 0

(1)

W-1 0

Mt. Arrat 0

(5)

W-5 0

Oak Hill 0

W-2 0

(2)

Brunswick 0

Turner 0

(3)

W-3 0

Auburn 0

(6)

W-6 0

SouthWestern ME 0

(4)

W-4 0

Greene 0

L-6 0

L-1 0

(7)

W-7 0

L-2 0

L-5 0

L-3 0

(8)

W-8 0

L-4 0



W-11 0

(11)

W-14 0

(14)

WINNER

L-11 0

W-9 0

W-13 0

(15)

or

(13)

W-12 0

(12)

W-10 0

0

Loser of 14
if 1st loss

Champion

Game	Level	Day	Time	Location
1	U10	Friday	4:00 PM	Harmon Field
2	U10	Friday	6:30 PM	Harmon Field
3	U10	Saturday	11:00 AM	Harmon Field
4	U10	Saturday	1:30 PM	Harmon Field
5	U10	Saturday	4:00 PM	Ham Field 3
6	U10	Saturday	6:30 PM	Harmon Field
7	U10	Saturday	11:00 AM	Ham Field 1
8	U10	Saturday	4:00 PM	Ham Field 1
10	U10	Saturday	6:30 PM	Ham Field 1
11	U10	Sunday	11:00 AM	Harmon Field
12	U10	Sunday	11:00 AM	Ham Field 1
13	U10	Sunday	1:30 PM	Ham Field 1
14	U10	Sunday	6:30 PM	Harmon Field
IF	U10	Monday	5:00 PM	Harmon Field

“DON’T UNDERESTIMATE YOURSELF. YOU ARE MORE CAPABLE THAN YOU THINK. KEEP WORKING. DON’T GIVE UP.”

– JENNIE FINCH



“WHAT SUCCESS IS CAN’T BE DEFINED BY WHAT OTHER PEOPLE CAN DO. IT’S YOUR SUCCESS. YOU DEFINE IT.”

– UNKNOWN

Andy Valley

Auburn 1

(1)

Turner

W-1

(4)

W-4

Lisbon

(2)

Auburn 2

W-2

(9)

Brunswick

(3)

Ararat

W-3

W-5

W-9

W-12

Winner

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L-4

L-2

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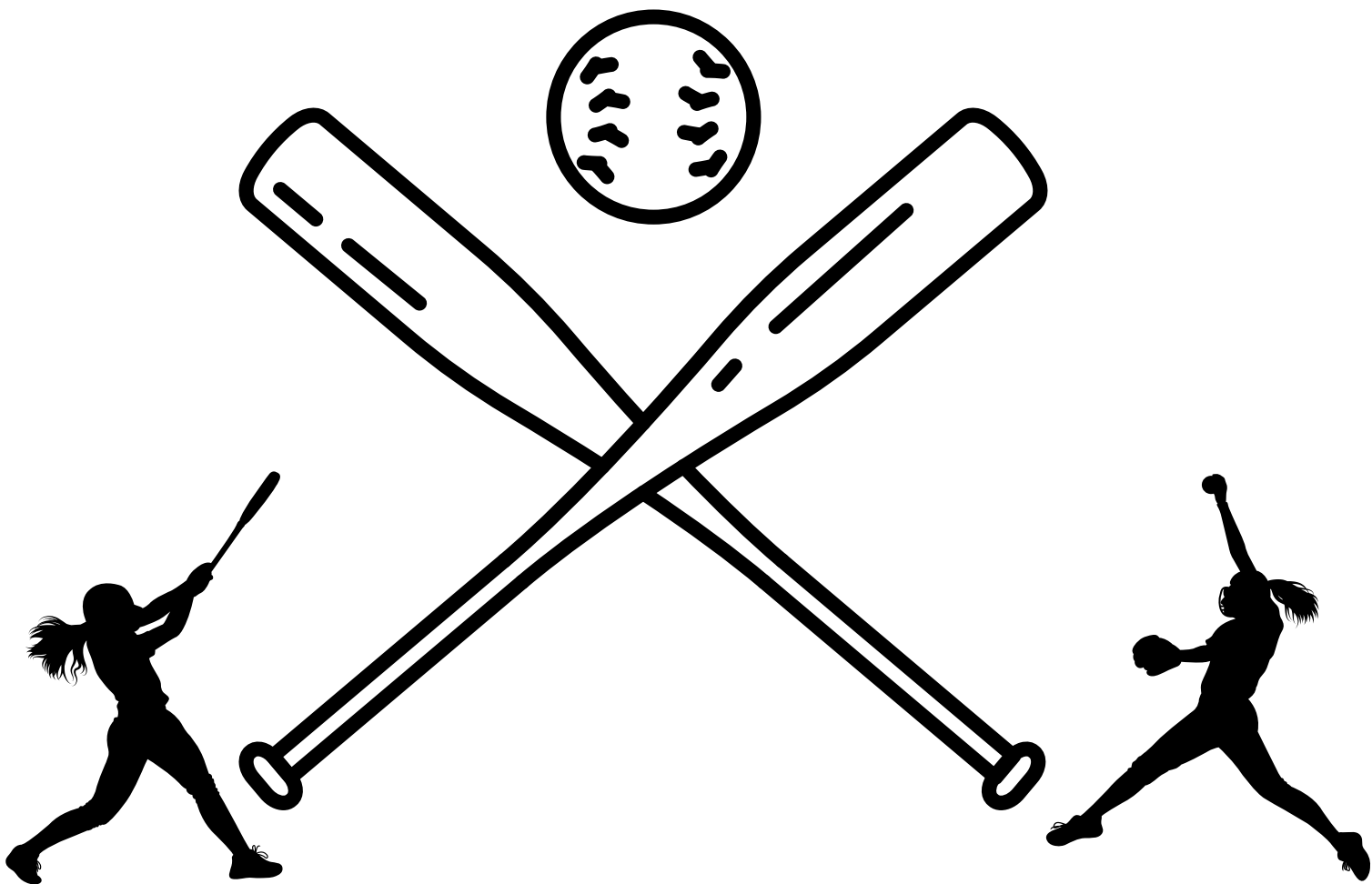
Loser of 12
if first loss

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Champion



Game	Level	Day	Time	Location
1	U12	Friday	4:00 PM	Ham Field 1
2	U12	Friday	4:00 PM	Ham Field 3
3	U12	Friday	4:00 PM	Ham Field 4
4	U12	Friday	6:30 PM	Ham Field 4
5	U12	Friday	6:30 PM	Ham Field 1
6	U12	Friday	6:30 PM	Ham Field 3
7	U12	Saturday	8:30 AM	Harmon Field
8	U12	Saturday	8:30 AM	Ham Field 1
9	U12	Saturday	1:30 PM	Ham Field 1
10	U12	Saturday	1:30 PM	Ham Field 3
11	U12	Saturday	4:00 PM	Harmon Field
12	U12	Sunday	4:00 PM	Harmon Field
IF	U12	Monday	6:30 PM	Harmon Field



HOW TO ENCOURAGE

Good Sportsmanship

1. LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Children learn by observing the behavior of adults around them. Show good sportsmanship yourself, and model respectful behavior towards opponents, coaches, referees, and teammates.

2. TEACH THE RULES

Ensure your child understands the rules of the game and the importance of playing fairly and within the rules.

3. EMPHASIZE EFFORT OVER WINNING

Encourage your child to focus on giving their best effort, rather than just winning. Celebrate their hard work and dedication to improvement, regardless of the outcome.

4. RECOGNIZE AND ACKNOWLEDGE OTHERS ACHIEVEMENTS

Teach your child to acknowledge and show appreciation for the efforts and achievements of their opponents and teammates.

5. FOSTER A POSITIVE ATTITUDE

Encourage your child to maintain a positive attitude, even in the face of setbacks or losses, and to see challenges as opportunities for growth and learning.

6. TEACH GRACE IN VICTORY AND DEFEAT

Teach your child to be humble in victory and gracious in defeat, and to avoid taunting or gloating.

7. ENCOURAGE TEAMWORK

Emphasize the importance of working together and supporting one another, rather than focusing on individual success.

8. PROVIDE CONSTRUCTIVE FEEDBACK

Offer constructive feedback to help your child improve their skills and become a better teammate..

9. ENCOURAGE GOOD COMMUNICATION

Teach your child the importance of good communication, both on and off the field, and to be respectful and supportive of their teammates.

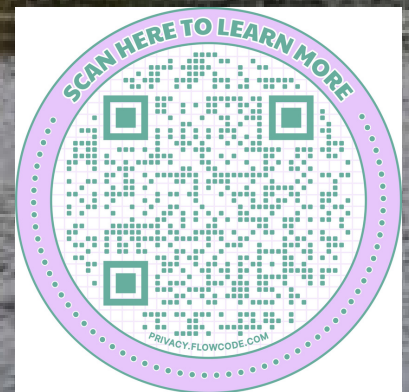
10. CELEBRATE SPORTSMANSHIP

Celebrate examples of good sportsmanship, and recognize and reward your child when they demonstrate these qualities.



The Greater Bridgton LAKES REGION *of Maine*

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2023 Area Guide

