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WINTER CORNHOLE DATES (Games Played Saturdays)

- **START DATE:** Saturday, January 21st
- **TIMES & LOCATIONS:** 5:00-8:00 pm @ PBR – Baltimore (see site for maps)
- **SEASON FORMAT:** Six Regular Season Games – Post season for teams that qualify
- **HOLIDAYS DURING THE SEASON:** None
- **LEAGUE MAKE UPS:** Rained out games will be placed at the end of the season. Please follow the date on the schedule, not the week number, when determining your game time/field location.

TEAM LEAGUE FEES BREAKDOWN

- The base league fee is \$270 (team of 6 players).
For each additional player over 6 on your roster, \$45 will be added to your team total.
The BSSC league fee includes:
 - BSSC current league T-shirt for each participant, access to the MedStar Sports Medicine network, specials at our official BSSC sponsor bars, BSSC staff (field leaders/officials), field rental for each location, set-up of field equipment where applicable. Participation in charitable/social events, & the opportunity to socialize with every BSSC member in the league.

BSSC GENERAL LEAGUE RULES

SPORTSMANSHIP CODE OF CONDUCT

BSSC is an organization that encourages members not to take winning or losing too seriously, and stresses that the social aspects of the league are really more important than a win or a loss. We expect all participants to behave in a sportsmanlike manner, on and off of the field. We strive to ensure that each member "shows that he or she has qualities of fairness, courtesy, and grace in winning and in losing."





BSSC WEBSITE

www.baltssc.com provides all necessary information about the BSSC, such as: Regular, Post & Rainout Schedules, Team Match Ups & Standings, League Rules, Field Maps, Photos, Our Partners, & Weather. The BSSC website also offers a community platform with its Bulletin Board feature and an Overview Calendar for sport signups, charity and social events.

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TEXT SERVICE FOR CANCELLATIONS

It is recommended that every BSSC player sign up for the **FREE** BSSC text service at www.rainedout.com. You will receive a real time cancellation via text from the BSSC when a game is cancelled. This will reduce the need to check your email, the website, or call the rainout hotline because of inclement weather,

BSSC COED SPORTS OFFERED

Visit Each Sport's Page for Detailed Information & Sign Up Dates

Volleyball (Winter, Spring, Summer & Fall)	Soccer (Winter)	Cornhole (Winter /Summer)
Kickball (Spring outdoor)	Dodgeball (Fall)	Charity Events (Year Round)
Football (Spring, Summer & Fall)	Wiffleball (Fall)	Orioles, Ravens, Preakness Events
Softball (Spring ,Summer, Fall)	Broomball (Late Fall)	Social Events (Year Round)

BSSC COED DIVISION DESCRIPTIONS

Super Extreme Social: Teams that have *basic* athletic skills, but are highly skilled in socializing.

COED PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY

- All BSSC participants must be at least **21** years old before the season starts.

HOW DO COACHES COLLECT LEAGUE FEES FROM TEAM PLAYERS?:

SPLITZEE REIMBURSEMENT LINK - <http://splitzee.com/for/balt-ssc>

- BSSC has partnered with Splitzee, a shared payments company who solves a big problem for you as coaches when collecting payment from your players. Splitzee speeds up the whole process and puts money back in your pocket fast.
- To start, enroll a team and set up a personal fund link to invite teammates to contribute online. You can also communicate with everyone on your team and track everything automatically. Splitzee allows you to enter "off line" payments for players that would like to use a check or cash payment. It makes the whole experience painless for the team and the coach.
- Make life easy for your teammates, as Splitzee's accepts credit cards / Pay Pal from them.
- Track who/ who didn't pay easily, as Splitzee tracks offline payments easily and online payments automatically.
- One-click reminders to the team with no more awkward conversations about money owed. Click a button and send an e-mail reminder to your holdouts. <http://splitzee.com/for/balt-ssc>
- NOTE:** BSSC procedure for final payment will not change. Balances cannot be forwarded to the BSSC from your Splitzee account. Splitzee can assist you with BSSC payment deadline at tee pick up.



BSSC NON-REFUND POLICY

Once the BSSC has entered a coach’s name online for the current season, the \$200 deposit paid at sign-ups is non-refundable. Once tee shirts are ordered, teams are responsible for the total remaining team balance.

• **Current Individual/Team Player**

Once a coach has ordered team T-shirts, the current player(s) /individual league fee is non-refundable.

Injured Player (Injury **MUST** be sustained playing a BSSC sport outlined in a BSSC injury report)

A “league fee credit” will be given if a player’s injury precludes them from finishing out the season.

The “league fee credit” will be used for the next BSSC sport that they participate in.

BSSC FORFEIT INFORMATION

ADVANCED FORFEIT NOTICE

- Teams can avoid a forfeit fine by e-mailing the BSSC prior to their regular season game or by following the substitute player(s) rule.
- Coaches must contact the BSSC before **NOON** (weekday or by Friday if game is on the weekend)

ROSTER SUBSTITUTION(S) TO AVOID A FORFEIT (Based on Social Points)

- Teams will be allowed to choose (2) games during the regular season to use substitute players, IF they are going to forfeit a game.
- There will be a \$15 “substitute fee” per player (to be paid to BSSC staff at game time) and they must sign the BSSC release form before participating in the game. Substitute players will wear a mesh penny during the game, since they will not have a league shirt.

BSSC SCHEDULE & POST SEASON INFORMATION

REGULAR SEASON POINTS AWARDED

Win - 2 points, Tie - 1 point, Loss - 0 points

REGULAR/POST SEASON SCHEDULE DEVIATIONS/RAIN OUT POLICY

The first priority of the BSSC is to ensure that all teams complete their full regular season schedule and postseason play is not guaranteed in any sport. Therefore, the postseason schedule and the amount of teams involved may have to be reduced or **eliminated** based on the number of weeks the regular season had to be extended.

MAKE UP DATES/REFUNDS FOR SHORTENED SEASON

- Make up for games regular/post season games, may be scheduled for days of the week outside of that sport’s regularly scheduled days. These games can be played on Friday or the weekend. The BSSC will e-mail the league/individual teams ASAP, to allow players to make adjustments to their schedules.
- Neither refunds nor pro-rated refunds will be given if the regular OR post season is shortened due to inclement weather or by actions taken by the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks.

POST SEASON GAME SCHEDULE

- Postseason games will start immediately after the completion of the regular season (including any make up games).
- If your team is going to forfeit a post season game, please contact the BSSC ASAP. This will allow BSSC to place another team in your slot.



POST SEASON SEEDING

A seeding ONLY schedule will be found on the Post Season link online by week # 6. However, team numbers will not be entered until ALL regular season games are completed.

- In the spirit of the BSSC, random seeding eliminates the issue of teams needing to focus on beating another team by a certain amount of runs or points, strength of schedule, head to head competition, etc.
- The BSSC will NOT reseed the post season schedule after each round. The lower seed will assume the higher seeds post season schedule. (e.g., Seed #32 upsets seed #1 in the first round. Seed #32 now becomes the #1 seed and will follow the #1 seed's postseason schedule.)

BSSC GENERAL GAME RULES

PLAYER ID CHECK

- All players must show a valid photo ID to BSSC staff upon request at any time during the season. Player(s) who refuse/are not in possession of their valid photo ID are prohibited from participating.
- BSSC staff will require a roster check form to be filled out by the entire team and player(s) photo taken.
- An ID check will occur BEFORE the start of all postseason games. If a player is NOT on the post season roster, the team will forfeit their game.

COED PLAYER PARTICIPATION

- Each BSSC player must sign their team waiver/roster before participating in their first game. Any player whose athletic ability exceeds division definitions may be removed from the league (e.g., a player with "Social" division ability playing in "Super Extreme").
- If the BSSC determines that more than one player on a team should be in a higher league, the BSSC has the option to forfeit all future games for that team (no refund).

ILLEGAL PLAYER

The BSSC considers using an illegal player in a regular or postseason game, to be unsportsmanlike conduct.

Illegal Players are defined as:

- A player who's coach did not register them as a substitute player, yet played in a regular season game. Substitutes are not allowed in Post Season play.
- A player who has broken the age requirements.
- Once a player has been removed from the roster using the drop/add procedure, they are NOT eligible for league play for the remainder of the season.

Illegal Players Penalties:

- The coach and illegal player(s) will be suspended for the remainder of the season and all wins will be removed.
- Penalized teams may participate in their remaining regular season games though wins will not be recorded.

GAME UNIFORMS (T-SHIRTS)

Current season T-shirts are a players uniform and must be worn to participate in a game. If circumstances dictate that a player(s) does not have their current league tee, they may play in the game by following these procedures:

- Show proper ID to prove they are on the roster (staff will take photo of ID) and sign BSSC roster check form.
There is a limit to (1) game per player and BSSC will record this occurrence for reference.
- Players who are found swapping shirts must:
 1. Both players must show proper ID to prove they are on the roster and sign BSSC roster check form
- **POSTSEASON** - All players must wear their current season T-shirt to participate in the postseason. There are NO exceptions of this rule for Post Season play.



GAME FOOTWEAR

- In order to participate in the BSSC, members must wear appropriate athletic footwear during the game.
- Inappropriate footwear such as: Metal spikes, dress shoes, sandals, "Five Fingers" toe shoes, flip flops, bare feet, socks, etc., are not allowed in the BSSC leagues.
*Cornhole is exempt from above rule with exception of bare feet /socks.

FIELD/GAME EQUIPMENT

- BSSC will provide all necessary equipment for each court, field or diamond (cones, bases, nets, etc.). Players must provide all their own equipment to play the game (gloves, bats, broomball pads, etc.) unless otherwise noted in the BSSC GAME RULES.

MEDSTAR SPORTS MEDICINE SPONSORSHIP

The BSSC is the **ONLY** sports & social league in **MARYLAND** to have an affiliation with **MedStar Sports Medicine**.

Although ALL BSSC sports are non-contact, as with all physical activities, people may occasionally sustain an injury. Should this occur, the BSSC has entered into an agreement with MedStar Sports Medicine to provide prompt medical care (for its members) at any one of the four Baltimore-area MedStar hospitals. These hospitals include: Franklin Square, Good Samaritan, Harbor and Union Memorial.

BSSC MEMBER COMMENTS

According to BSSC members in the past, **MedStar Sports Medicine** can be very helpful if you suffer an on-field injury.

.....Hi Mike, Thanks for checking in - I'm all set! I lucked out - it was just a dislocation so I should be good in 1-2 weeks vs. 6 - so happy! Your BSSC staff was great - couldn't have asked for better and when we got to Union Memorial, they already knew I was coming and we only waited a couple of minutes before we were brought right back. We were in and out (x-rays, re-setting and all) in under 2 hours. Can't really beat that for an ER visit! Thanks again for checking in - I should be back on the field in a couple of weeks. :) Thanks!
Andrea

BSSC CORNHOLE GAME RULES

COURT/DISTANCE

- A. The court should consist of two Cornhole platforms with a hole cut in the center.
 1. The distance from the center of each Cornhole platform will be 30'.
 2. The platforms will be approximately 15 feet apart from the next court on either side.
- B. Each platform will include 4 red and 4 blue corn bags.

FIELDING A TEAM

- A. There is a maximum of 4 players allowed to play at one time (standard – 1 man and 1 woman) on each Cornhole platform. There is no limit to the total # of players allowed on the roster.
 1. There is no limit to the number of women allowed on a Cornhole platform one time (4 women - 0 men).
 2. No more than 2 men players are allowed on a Cornhole platform under any circumstances.
- B. To start a game, a team must have a minimum of 3 players, (2 men and 1 woman) at game time.
- C. If a team only has (1) woman, she will throw twice in the rotation.

GAME CLOCK

- A. A "count down timer" will be the official game clock set by BSSC staff.
- B. A 2-minute warning whistle will sound for teams to get ready for play.
- C. The clock will run for 50 minutes and BSSC staff will give teams a 2-minute "end of game" warning whistle.



PITCHING ROTATION DURING THE GAME

A. The team who scored in the preceding inning shall pitch first in the next inning. If neither pitcher scores, the team who pitched second (last) in the preceding inning shall pitch first in the next inning.

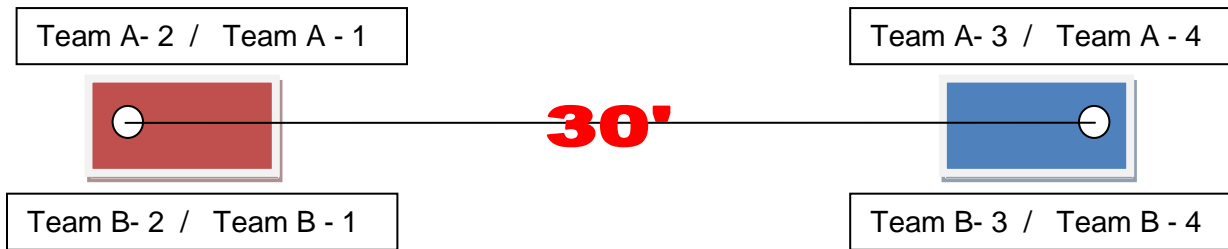
B. Players alternate pitching bags (one player at a time) until each player has pitched all (4) of his/her bags using the following format rotation:

1st -Team A-1 vs Team B 1...(Each female player from each team will throw all 4 bags)

2nd-Team A-3 vs Team B 3...(Each female player from each team will throw all 4 bags)

3rd -Team A-2 vs Team B 2...(Each male player from each team will throw all 4 bags)

4th -Team A-4 vs Team B 4...(Each male player from each team will throw all 4 bags)



C. After every inning, teams may rotate their substitutions into the game for maximum player participation.

a. Teams must still follow the (Male-female-male-female) throwing order when substituting.

REGULAR SEASON GAME / MATCH:

A. The first team to reach 11 points will be declared the winner of the game. The team that wins the most games at the end of the time limit shall be declared the winner of the match.

1. Exception: If a team has accumulated 11 points and "pitched" first, the opposing team on their Cornhole platform may "pitch" to tie or win the game. The teams on the opposing Cornhole platform will not be allowed to "pitch" to win or break the tie.

B. The match will have a 50 minute time limit. Teams will play as many games as possible within the match time frame.

C. Play continues until a 2-point advantage is reached or until a team scores 13 points with a 1 point advantage.

1. A score sheet will be placed on the table to record the winning team for each game.

D. If the match time expires while a game is in progress, the current Cornhole platform will finish play.

1. If the game is still tied, one player from each team (opposing Cornhole platform) will "pitch" one corn bag. The bag that is closest to the center hole will be declared the winner of the game.

VALUE OF THE CORN BAG

A. Corn Bag (In The Hole) - Is thrown through the hole in the Cornhole platform or otherwise comes to rest inside the Cornhole platform (knocked in by another player). A corn bag "in the hole" has a value of THREE points.

B. Corn Bag (On The Board) - Lands with any portion of the corn bag resting on the Cornhole platform. For a corn bag to count, it must not touch the ground or any other portion of the court prior to coming to rest on the Cornhole platform. If a corn bag touches the ground before coming to rest on the Cornhole platform, it is a foul and must be removed from the Cornhole platform prior to the continuation of play. A corn bag "on the board" has a value of ONE point.

C. Corn Bag (Out Of Bounds) - Comes to rest anywhere except "on the board" or "in the hole" will be considered "out of bounds" and has no scoring value. A corn bag which is declared "out of bounds" (no matter where it comes to rest) must be removed from the Cornhole surface prior to the continuation of play. A corn bag "out of bounds" has a value of ZERO points.

D. Corn bags on the board may be knocked off the Cornhole platform or in the hole by an opponent or by that players other corn bags. Where the corn bag ultimately lands determines the scoring.



CANCELLATION SCORING

ONLY non cancelled corn bags are counted in cancellation scoring.

A. Corn Bags (In The Hole) - A corn bag in the hole of one player shall cancel a corn bag in the hole of his competitor and those corn bags shall not score any points.

B. Corn Bags (On The Board) -A corn bag on the board of one player shall cancel a corn bags on the board of the opponent and those corn bags shall not score any points.

Example 1: If the home team lands two corn bags in the hole and two corn bags on the board and the visiting team lands two corn bags in the hole and two on the board, the score for both teams would be zero as both corn bags in the hole corn bags on the board cancel each other out.

Example 2: If the visiting team lands one corn bag in the hole and one corn bag on the board and the home team lands one corn bag on the board, the score for the visiting team would be 3 and the score for the home team would be zero as the bag in the hole would count and the two corn bags on the board (one from each team) cancel each other out.

Example 3: If the visiting team lands one corn bag in the hole and zero on the board and the home team lands only one corn bag on the board, the score for the visiting team would be 2 and the score for the home team would be zero. One point would be deducted from the visiting teams 3, because the home team had one bag on the board.

POST SEASON GAME/MATCH

A. The first team to reach 11 points will be declared the winner of the postseason game. The team that wins the most games at the end of the time limit shall be declared the winner of the match and proceed to the next round.

1. Exception: If a team has accumulated 11 points and "pitched" first, the opposing team on their Cornhole platform may "pitch" to tie or win the game. The teams on the opposing Cornhole platform will not be allowed to "pitch" to win or break the tie.

B. The match will have a 50 minute time limit. Teams will play as many games as possible within the match time frame.

C. Play continues until a 2-point advantage is reached or until a team scores 13 points with a 1 point advantage.

D. If the match time expires while a game is in progress, the current Cornhole platform will finish play.

1. If the game is still tied, one player from each team (opposing Cornhole platform) will "pitch" one corn bag. The bag that is closest to the center hole will be declared the winner of the game.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME/MATCH

A. The CHAMPIONSHIP match will be the best 2 out of 3 games. The first team to reach 11 points will be declared the winner of each game.

1. Exception: If a team has accumulated 11 points and "pitched" first, the opposing team on their Cornhole platform may "pitch" to tie or win the game. The teams on the opposing Cornhole platform will not be allowed to "pitch" to win or break the tie.

B. The match will continue until a team has won the best 2 out of 3 games.

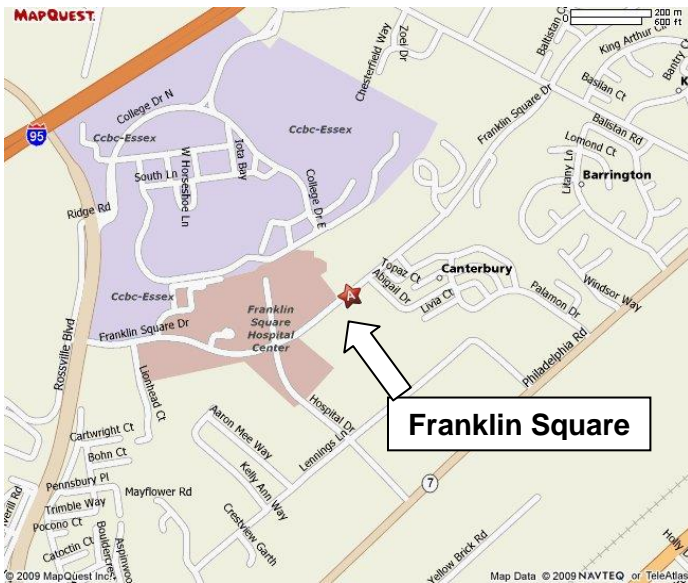
C. Play continues until a 2-point advantage is reached or until a team scores 13 points with a 1 point advantage.

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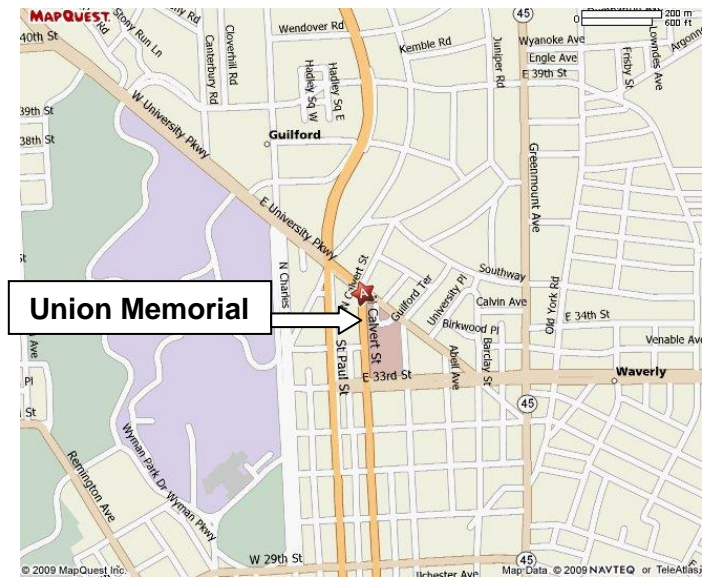




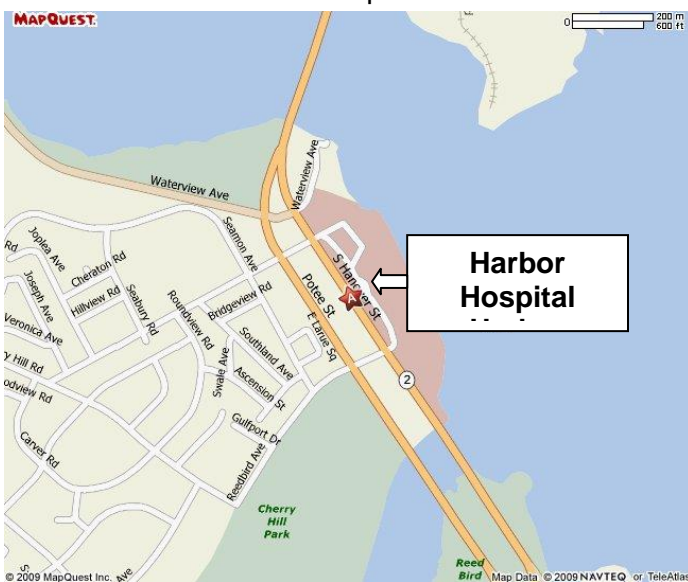
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