



Please join the Baltimore Field Hockey Association for our 13th Annual,

BEACH BASH

Field Hockey Tournament

April 28 – 29, 2012 at Cape Henlopen High School

NEW LOCATION WITH ARTIFICIAL TURF & BERMUDA GRASS!

Registration begins Friday, Jan. 13, 2012 at Noon

NEW Venue: The tournament will be held on 4 fields (2 artificial turf, 2 Bermuda grass) at Cape Henlopen High School, 1250 Kings Hwy, Lewes, DE 19958. Just 10 minutes north of Rehoboth Beach.

Format: 2 Divisions: Adult and Youth (U-19)
Due to the limited number of fields, we can only accept 16 teams PER DIVISION (*for a maximum of 32 total participating teams*). Games will be Full-Field (11 vs. 11), each team plays approx. 6 games. All teams will play games on both Saturday and Sunday.

Adult Division: Within the Adult Division, we would like to have two subdivisions: Mixed (2men) and Women. However, we need 8 women's teams to do so. If we are unable to get a full 'Women's Only' subdivision, we will play using the following: If your opponent's roster has no men, your team can only play with 1 male field player. For Mixed, a maximum of 2 male field players are allowed at one time. The goalie is neutral and can be either gender. You must be 18 or older to participate in the adult division.

Youth Division: There will be two U-19 subdivisions. An 'A' subdivision for very experienced club teams/highly skilled varsity programs, and a 'B' subdivision for newer club teams/less experienced programs. U-19 players must be 18 or younger on the day of the tourney. There will be 8 teams in each subdivision.

Team Fee: \$610 per team (by credit card using our online registration)

Requirements: All participants must be USFHA members. Go to www.usfieldhockey.com for membership.

Forfeit Fee: All teams must agree to pay a separate \$125 forfeit fee if their team forfeits any game during the tournament. This fee will be charged to your credit card on April 30, 2012, after tournament has been completed, only if your team has forfeited a game. All teams who do not forfeit any games during the tournament will not be charged this fee.

Registration: All teams must register online. **Online registration will open on Jan. 13th at noon.** To register, please go to www.BFHA.org and click on the Beach Bash link. When registering online you will be asked to pay entire tourney fee. **Teams are accepted in the order of online registration.** Since spots are very limited, a club may not register more than 2 teams.

- Deadline: The registration will close when the tourney fills or by **March 1, 2012**. However, THIS TOURNEY FILLS QUICKLY and teams are accepted in the order which team fees RECEIVED. So, please register online as soon as possible! WE CAN NOT HOLD A SPOT FOR ANY TEAM BASED ON A VERBAL/EMAIL INQUIRY. THE FEE IS REQUIRED - NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Cancellations: Any team that needs to cancel prior to **March 1, 2012** must do so in writing to receive a refund from BFHA for \$575 (which is the tournament fee minus a \$35 processing fee). No refunds will be granted if you cancel after March 1, 2012. Please email cancellation requests to the contact name below. If you do not receive a reply email within 24 hours of your cancellation request, you must call 410-692-0811 to ensure that the request was received.
- Team Roster: DUE: **March 26th**. All teams must submit a roster by March 26th to be guaranteed tournament t-shirt sizes. The roster form will be emailed with your registration confirmation. A maximum of 18 tournament t-shirts will be distributed per team. Additional shirts can be requested at \$7 each - see roster form. Roster changes may be submitted at the registration tent the first day of the tournament prior to your first match. No roster changes are allowed once a team has played their first match.
- Waiver: ALL participants must sign the tourney waiver form. Parents must also sign for any participant under 18. The waiver form will be emailed with your registration confirmation and can be turned in at the Registration Tent prior to your first game.
- Inclement Weather In the case of inclement weather the weekend of the tournament, please call our hotline at 410-558-BFHA to check on the status of the tournament. If the tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, partial refunds will be granted. In the event of rain, the facility may limit play on the Bermuda grass fields, so the schedule may change accordingly.
- Tourney Rules: This event will follow FIH rules, with slight modifications specific for the event (length of game, etc). A full list of rules will be sent to all teams. For FIH events, eye protection is allowed but not required. However, only USFHA approved eyewear is allowed (clear plastic only – no wire cage, as USFHA feels wire cages are dangerous). See usafielddhockey.com for details.
- Accommodations: Atlantis Inn Hotel, 154 Rehoboth Ave, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 1-800-245-2112
Holiday Inn Express, 4289 Highway One, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 302-227-4030
Rentals: Jack Lingo Realtor, Inc. 302-227-3883, 1-800-345-3469
Rentals: Coldwell Banker, Rehoboth Resort Realty, 1-800-800-4132
See www.BFHA.org for more details.
- Directions: To be forwarded after teams register.
- Questions: Contact Patti or Carey Webb at 410-692-0811 or careyandpatti@msn.com