

Registration open for 2023 Bay State Games

WOBURN – Registration for the 41st annual Bay State Summer Games is now open. The 2023 Summer Games will include thirty sports with competitions from June 3 to July 29 at venues throughout eastern and central Massachusetts including Game On in Fitchburg, Boston Sports Institute in Wellesley, Union Point Sports Complex in Weymouth, and New England Sports Center in Marlborough. Bay State Games participants range in age from 5 to over age 75 and represent more than 300 Massachusetts communities as well as surrounding New England States in some sports. From grassroots participants to accomplished amateur athletes, the Bay State Games provide opportunities for the athlete in all of us.

Eight high school showcase sports will take place for a variety of sports, including baseball, basketball, field hockey, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, and volleyball. Athletes currently in grade 8-11 who live or go to school in Massachusetts are eligible to attend regional tryouts during the month of June. These tryouts will determine teams representing the various regions of the Commonwealth that will compete against each other in July. Check each sport page for specific eligibility requirements.

The Summer Games include a wide variety of individual sports including swimming, track & field, figure skating, pickleball, wrestling, weightlifting, archery, judo, badminton, and more. These sports are open to a wide range of ages and skill levels from youth participants to masters-aged athletes. Adaptive sport divisions in archery, swimming,

and track & field are offered, as well. Bay State Games also organizes tournaments for pre-existing teams in girls lacrosse, rugby, and 6v6 field hockey.

The 2023 Summer Games will feature Game On in Fitchburg as the host venue for 8 sports. Bay State Games expects 1,500 athletes and their families to attend competitions at Game On during the second week of July. “We are excited to expand the roster of sports being held at Game On this year,” said Kevin Cummings, Executive Director of the Bay State Games. “This state-of-the-art facility allows us to enhance the athlete and spectator experience and provide a true Olympic-style multi-sport atmosphere for our participants.”

An additional feature in 2023 is that in over a dozen sports, athletes who win a gold, silver, or bronze medal at the 2023 Bay State Games will qualify to participate in the 2024 State Games of America in San Diego, California. The State Games of America feature more than 8,000 athletes from over 30 different state games programs nationwide. To see the list of qualifying sports, please visit www.stategamesofamerica.com.

In addition to sports programming, Bay State Games offer college scholarships, a sportsmanship initiative, college internship opportunities, and a High School Ambassador program.

For more information on all sports in the 2023 Summer Games, links to online registration, and information on other programs, go to www.baystategames.org.

For questions, email info@baystategames.org or call 781-932-6555.

Thunderbirds look for playoff berth

HARTFORD – The Springfield Thunderbirds (33-23-2-5) responded magnificently to get the better of the Hartford Wolf Pack (27-25-4-7) on Saturday night in a 4-0 win at the XL Center.

For the first time in five games, the T-Birds were able to find the scoreboard in the opening 20 minutes, as Scott Perunovich made a smart read to jump into a rush in the neutral zone, creating a 2-on-1. From there, Perunovich feathered a perfectly placed saucer pass to the backhand of Nikita Alexandrov, who ramped the feed over the arm of Dylan Garand and into the top shelf to make it 1-0 at 14:14.

Making his second start as a T-Bird, Garret Sparks held the fort in a busy first period in the Springfield goal, denying 10 Hartford shots to keep the Wolf Pack off the scoresheet following the Pack’s four-goal explosion in the final period on Friday.

The two squads played penalty-free hockey through the opening period and for much of period two. After both teams rang the goalpost on multiple occasions, Springfield finally found twine to extend the lead. On a 2-on-1 rush, Mathias Laferriere elected to shoot from the left circle. While Garand made the first save, he left a rebound in the blue paint, where a crashing Adam Gaudette backhanded

the puck into a gaping net at 10:32 to make it 2-0.

Hartford then put Springfield’s explosive power play to work for the first time less than a minute later, and Laferriere cashed in on a diagonal feed from the left corner to the front of the net by Matthew Highmore. Laferriere’s second point in a 66-second stretch made it 3-0 at 11:38. The T-Birds outshot Hartford 11-5 in the middle frame, but Sparks was there for the scarce scoring chances Hartford produced.

Sparks made sure the Wolf Pack never would get a taste of the scoreboard, making two fantastic glove saves off of Turner Elson and Tanner Fritz in the opening stages of the third. Then the offense rewarded him with another 2-on-1 tally, as Hugh McGing labeled a shot into the top shelf on a setup from Bitten at 14:44 to round out the scoring.

Sparks completed the T-Birds’ fifth shutout as a team behind a 21-save night. It was the veteran’s 99th career AHL win and his 18th AHL shutout.

Springfield’s magic number to clinch a playoff berth now rests at 10, and the T-Birds next fly down to Charlotte for three straight matchups at Bojangles’ Coliseum against the Checkers on Wednesday, March 29 (7 p.m.); Friday, March 31 (7 p.m.); and Saturday, April 1 (6 p.m.).

How to contact the Sports Editor

Have the scoop on a local sports story? Want to submit a team photo, pass along a potential story idea, or just find out how to get a copy of that great photo of your young athlete? Please send all sports-related press releases and information to Sports Editor Greg Scibelli at: sports@turley.com or call, 1-413-283-8393.

Public Notices

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD23P0651EA
Estate of:
John Edward Driscoll
Date of Death: 12/28/2022
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Kathleen Morissette of Agawam, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal

Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Kathleen Morissette of Agawam, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/18/2023.**

This is **NOT** a hear-

ing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the

Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 28, 2023
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
03/31/2023

Invitation To Bid 2023-20SD HPS Transportation Rebid
The City of Holyoke, on behalf of its School Department hereby invites

the submission of sealed bids from reputable and qualified bus transportation companies for furnishing Regular Education and Field/Sports Trips student transportation services in the Holyoke Public Schools beginning July 1, 2023. Forms for bid, certification, conditions, and specifications may be obtained at the office of the Purchasing Agent, Holyoke City Hall, 536 Dwight St. Room 3, Holyoke, MA 01040, or by submitting an email request to the Chief Procurement Officer, at morrowj@holyoke.org. **Bids must be received by 4/21/2023 at 1 p.m.** The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
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Invitation to Bid 2023-25DPW City of Holyoke Office of Purchasing
The City of Holyoke invites sealed bids for tree and vegetation management throughout the City. The locations of tree and vegetation to be removed will be as directed by the City. Full Bid Documents can be requested from morrowj@holyoke.org or in person from the Purchasing Office. Bids must be received by **4/19/23 @ 2pm**. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. No electronic submissions will be accepted.
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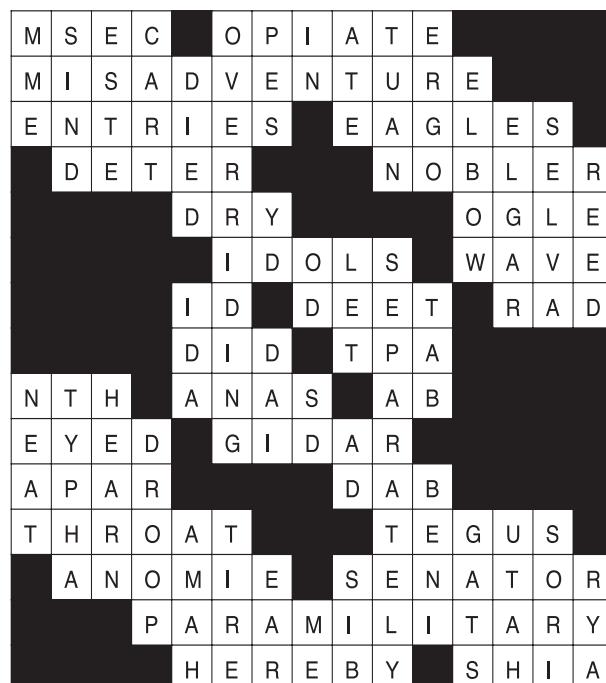
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