

North Suburban Special Olympics, 8-02
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SPRING SPORTS UPDATE

Track, Soccer and Tennis were our spring sports and the season is in full swing.

1. Soccer had one team again this year has had a good season so far with actually being able to practice outside. The invitational for required games was held at Muskego High School on May 13, and the soccer team, the Cougar Kits will be advancing to State on June 8,10, at the new site of UW-Whitewater. Practices will continue for the season at Brown Deer High School.
2. Track & Field (Athletics) was also actually able to get some practices in outside - weather has been as usual – some iffy and some not so good days; but we were able to get practices in each week before the Regional competition, which was definitely not normal. The Regional Athletics competition was on May 13th at Muskego High School. Practices will continue at Brown Deer High School until the State competition. Not everyone who qualified will advance to state; we are given a quota for the number that can advance. State will be on June 8,10, at the new site of UW-Whitewater.
3. Tennis was also in this spring season this year. Practices have been at Brown Deer High School and will continue through the State weekend. All tennis players will advance to State, competing on Saturday June 10th.

SUMMER (early Fall) SPORTS

REGISTER FOR UPCOMING SPORTS VIA THIS WEBLINK:

[Bocce and Softball Registration](#)

1. Softball = We would like to know for sure if you are returning, interested in joining the team, or whether you are taking this season off from sports. We are planning on only one team, as last year, and there are limited slots available for players - so get your print or online registration form in as the date on your response will be a deciding factor. Softball will be on TUESDAY EVENINGS from 6:30-8:00pm, at MASLOWSKI PARK (note new location and evening; about ½ mile east of Green Bay Rd, on Bender Road). First practice will be June 13, 2023; no practice on the Fourth of July. Tournament dates are July 29th and August 13, 2023; with State on September 8-10th.

Please make sure your registration form is returned as soon as you receive it – the best is the online registration via the website or a print copy returned - indicating an interest in being on the team; no email or text or verbal statement will be accepted, and the print form, if used, must be returned only to Kevin or Linda. Athletes who played in last year's season will be given first option to be on the team, but your registration MUST be in by WEDNESDAY, MAY 31ST to guarantee your space; after that date, team membership will be open to other athletes.

2. Bocce = practices will be on Mondays at Brown Deer High/Middle School; near the soccer practice field, at the corner of 60th and Bradley; start date will be June 12, 2023; practices are 6:30-8:00pm. No practice Memorial Day or the Fourth of July week. Tournament dates are July 29th and August 13, 2023; with State on September 8-10th.

Remember: Participation in a MINIMUM of two games prior to the district tournament and entries due date is mandatory. Any athlete not participating in at least two games will NOT be registered for competition at the area/district/regional level, and therefore will not continue on the team for the season after the required tournament. Attendance/participation in the District Competition is mandatory for all

sports. If you do not attend the District Competition, you will not advance to state; if you are doing a team sport, you will not advance even if your team advances, nor will you remain on the team roster for the rest of the sports season. If a team does not advance, practices will continue as normal for all players.

FALL SPORTS

The information sent out originally from SOWI was confusing for “fall” sports. The sports that we are offering for late summer-early fall are bocce and softball – you can compete in one of those two sports. Volleyball and Bowling will start in September and you can compete in either one of those sports. Yes, bowling and bocce are two different seasons although both were listed as “Fall”. Softball and volleyball did not seem to create as much confusion.

GENERAL

We are ALWAYS proud of our athletes and the good sportsmanship that they show – win or lose. We appreciate that they do the best job that they can.

Drivers: Please remember to be on time to pick up your athlete(s) at the end of each practice and make sure that the athlete joins the practice when dropped off.

As a reminder, we do not call athletes/coaches when we cancel due to bad weather. Some years are better than others, and there are times that facilities are not available for reasons other than weather – and, unfortunately, often at the last minute – so it never hurts to call anyway – we appreciate it. In the event of bad weather (rain, snow, or extreme heat/cold), you should check the Hotline prior to the practice start time to see if practice has been cancelled. We try to update the hotline about 45 minutes before practice. For example, if practice starts at 6:00pm, a message will be on the Hotline about 5:15pm (414-327-1016). This means that athletes should not call their coaches to check to see if practice is cancelled. We will continue to try to reach all athletes and coaches for practice cancellations that are NOT weather related, but it is still a good idea to listen to the Hotline just before you leave for practice, because it is not always possible to reach everybody – such as unexpected pool problems or muddy ground/wet track at Brown Deer. A light rain may not cancel a practice as competitions are held even in a rain. A general email will be sent out if there is sufficient time.

SENDIK’S GRILL-OUT

Don’t forget the Sendik’s Grill Out dates throughout the summer. Summer dates this year are May 20th, July 8th, July 22nd, August 5th, August 26th and September 16th. Most of the Grill-Outs are in Grafton – easy to find! But we hope, especially to see many of you at the Whitefish Bay Sendik’s on July 8th!!! These are great fun and a valuable contribution to our fund-raising. We can use volunteers for any of these - please consider helping us out. If you are willing to help out with the Sendik’s Grill-Out dates, contact Chuck Sigurdson (414-688-9106; csigurdson@sbcglobal.net).

Thanks to all who have volunteered and made our concession stands a success. We are always looking for additional help on these occasions.

WEBSITE

Have you checked out the website? The heaviest viewing is done on Sunday's. You will find many current items and we love pictures. Check for cancellations and special events. All of our forms will now launch from a green button. The address is <https://northsuburbanspecialolympics.org>. A handful to type in - make it a favorite!

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MAY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
21	22	23	24 Track, Soccer, Tennis	25	26	27
28	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30	31 Track, Soccer, Tennis			

JUNE 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Track, Soccer, Tennis	8 State = soccer, track, tennis	9 State	10 State UW-Whitewater
11	12 Bocce	13 Softball	14	15	16	17
18	19 Bocce	20 Softball	21	22	23	24
25	26 Bocce	27 Softball	28	29	30	

JULY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNES.	THURS.	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3 NO practices	4 NO practices <i>Fourth of July</i>	5	6	7	8 Sendik's Grill Out – Whitefish Bay
9	10 Bocce	11 Softball	12	13	14	15
16	17 Bocce	18 Softball	19	20	21	22 Sendik's Grill Out - Grafton
23 Southern State Golf	24 Bocce	25 Softball	26	27	28	29 TM/MPS Bocce/Softball Invitational
30	31 Bocce					

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AUGUST 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Softball	2	3	4	5 Sendik's Grill Out - Grafton
6	7 Bocce	8 Softball	9	10	11	12
13 Regional bocce & softball – Richfield	14 Bocce	15 Softball	16	17	18	19
20	21 Bocce	22 Softball TBD	23	24	25	26 Sendik's Grill Out - Grafton
27	28 Bocce	29 Softball TBD	30	31		

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURS.	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 First Bowling TBD
3	4 Labor Day – No practices	5 Softball TBD	6 Volleyball	7 BOCCE For teams Advancing to state	8 State bocce & softball (Wisconsin Dells)	9 State games & Bowling practice
10 State Games	11 Volleyball	12	13 Volleyball	14	15 <i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	16 Bowling; Sendik's Grill Out - Grafton
17	18 Volleyball	19	20 Volleyball	21	22	23 Bowling
24 <i>Yom Kippur</i>	25 Volleyball	26	27 Volleyball	28	29	30 bowling

NORTH SUBURBAN SPECIAL OLYMPICS, 8-02 ATHLETE SPORTS REGISTRATION FORM

This completed form should arrive at the address below BEFORE or ON **May 30, 2023**
 NORTH SUBURBAN SPECIAL OLYMPICS
 1008 WOODVIEW, GRAFTON, WI 53024

ATHLETE NAME _____ PHONE _____

E-Mail _____

Athletes: Please have your parents, guardian, group home staff, or case worker help you complete this form. If you have any questions regarding this form please call Kevin at 262-894-5120 or Linda at 414-550-5357.

PREFERRED REGISTRATION IS ON THE WEBSITE (use link below), OR YOU CAN REGISTER BY MAILING IN THE FORM.

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[Bocce and Softball Registration](#)

<p style="text-align: center;">Check ONE Option Below</p>	<p>COMPETE: Means attending practices, tournaments, AND Area/District competitions & State competition if team/individual advances. Only competition is allowed for softball; participation is eligible for bocce.</p>
<p><i>To compete in Bocce</i></p> <p>1. Check here: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2. Answer these questions. ➔</p>	<p>Athlete MUST attend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum of 2 practices by July 18 or athlete may not be registered for District Bocce and a minimum of 6 practices for the 2023 season or athlete may not be able to compete next year. The TM Bocce Tournament (Wick Field) on Saturday, July 29, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can athlete attend the TM Tournament? Circle one → Yes or No The District Bocce Competition on Sunday, August 13, 2023, in Richfield. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can athlete attend the District Competition? Circle one → Yes or No The State Outdoor Games in the Wisconsin Dells area on September 8-10, 2023, if your team advances. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can athlete attend the State Games? Circle one → Yes or No
<p><i>To compete in Softball</i></p> <p>1. Check here: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2. Answer these questions. ➔</p>	<p>Athlete MUST attend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A minimum of 2 practices by July 18 or athlete may not be registered for District Softball and a minimum of 6 practices for the entire 2023 season or athlete may not be allowed to be on the Softball team next year. Players from last year MUST have their registration on file by the date in the newsletter to be guaranteed a spot on the team this year. The TM Softball Tournament (Wick Field) on Saturday, July 29, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can athlete attend the TM Tournament? Circle one → Yes or No The District Softball Competition on Sunday, August 13, 2023, in Richfield. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can athlete attend the District Competition? Circle one → Yes or No The State Outdoor Games in the Wisconsin Dells area on September 8-10, if the team advances. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can athlete attend the State Games? Circle one → Yes or No If athlete was NOT on the team last year, circle a second choice. Circle one → Bocce, no sport
<p>Check here <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If you do NOT plan on competing in any sport in this season, please check here and return the form.</p>

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