



Brian Walshe Cup

2019

ALSAA

Welcome to BWC 2019

On behalf of Softball Ireland, we would like to welcome all teams to the 2019 BWC tournament and official start of the 2019 season.

We are delighted that 15 teams have entered and we hopeful of a great day of Softball. The BWC also doubles up as a fund raiser for the Slowpitch National Team heading to the Europeans in Hungary with all proceeds from the tournament going towards reducing costs for the team.

A tournament like this doesn't just happen; it takes a lot of work and planning from many volunteers. In particular, I would like to thank Conor Sayles and Jonathan Spielberg who have spent hours ensuring the schedule for the tournament gives all players an outstanding day of softball! I would also like to thank the Softball Ireland board for their contributions and assistance in delivering what we hope will be an enjoyable tournament.

At every tournament there are always questions about the rules, so we hope that most of these are answered later in the pack. We would ask all Captains to remind players of their responsibility to conduct themselves with their usual best behaviour and continue to represent Softball Ireland in the best possible light.

As the aim of the tournament is to raise funds for the National Squad, each team is asked to bring two 12 inch balls and two 11 inch balls, with the home team providing balls for each game.

There will be snacks, sandwiches and soft drinks for sale at the TC tent on pitch one throughout the day. First Aid will also be available at the TC tent if required.

We wish you all a very successful day of softball!

Colum Lavery
Softball Ireland
President

Brian Walshe Cup Rules

Game Results

A WhatsApp Group will be created for all team contacts. Results must be placed in the WhatsApp Group by the winning team after the game. If no result is received 15 mins after the game has ended then a draw will be recorded as the official result. Please find Colum on pitch 1 to provide your number too.

Tournament Rules

1. Full **ISF** rules subject to specific co-ed slowpitch softball adjustments as set out in the rules schedule below.
2. The current ASA banned bat list will be enforced during the tournament.
3. All players must be registered with their regional softball association or register with Softball Ireland on the day
4. All games will see batters start with a **1-1**.
5. Teams may play 5&5 or **6&4**. If a team opts to play with 6 men and 4 women (or batting 7 men and 5 women), then there must be two females in the outfield and two in the infield, the catcher must be male, a male batter who is walked will be awarded 1 base if he is followed in the batting order by another male.
6. Teams must complete the game with the gender split that it started the game with.
7. Home team decided by toss of a coin at beginning of each game during both round robin and final stages.
8. Games will be timed. Please encourage your players to change over as quickly as possible. Hustling means more innings!! No new Inning after 40min, games to finish by 45min. Start time will be the scheduled start time and not the ACTUAL start time.
9. Ball game must be called prior to the official start time of the next game on the pitch. Score reverts to the last complete inning.
10. Teams not ready to play by 5 minutes after the official start time will lose 5 runs and will lose a run every subsequent minute.
11. There is no need to bat out if the home team is ahead.
12. Draws are permitted in Round Robin stages (3 points for win, 1 point for draw).
13. The **WBC runs ahead rule** holds since the BWC is a National Tournament as adjusted as follows. The rule for co-ed slowpitch is 20 runs after four innings, 15 after five innings or 10 after six innings. Complete innings must be played unless the home team scores the run head limit while at bat. When the visiting team reaches the limit in the top half of the inning, the home team must have the opportunity to bat in the bottom half of the inning.
14. Ties on points will be broken 1st on head to head, then runs conceded, lastly by coin toss.
15. The final will be a 60 minutes game.
16. If bad weather affects the tournament the TC and SI Council reserve the right to reformat or cancel the tournament.
17. No protests will be heard, until €75 is lodged with TC. Disputes will be heard by TC and Secretary of Softball Ireland and their decision will be final. If the protest is rejected the €75 will not be returned. Please try to resolve any incidents at the time, as protests can have implications beyond the initial incident.
18. Game protests **MUST** be made prior to the next pitch, ALL information should be recorded, scores, positions, count etc. The Protest should be lodged immediately after the game with the TC.
19. Drones are not permitted to be used in ALSAA

Brian Walshe Cup - 2019 SOS Blitz Schedule

Group A
 Renegade Reapers
 Marlay
 Thunderbolts
 Wicklow Wolves
 Thirsty Camels

Group B
 Suspects
 Homers
 Renegades
 NoName
 Kegs

Group C
 Hippies
 Castleknock
 2Pak
 Sliders
 Galway Tribes

Time	Field One	Field Two	Field Three	Field Four	Field Five
09:30	Renegade Reapers vs. Marlay	Thunderbolts vs. Wicklow Wolves	Suspects vs. Homers	Renegades vs. NoName	Hippies vs. Castleknock
10:20	Marlay vs. Thunderbolts	Thirsty Camels vs. Renegade Reapers	Kegs vs. Suspects	Castleknock vs. Sliders	2Pak vs. Galway Tribes
11:10	Marlay vs. Thirsty Camels	Homers vs. Renegades	NoName vs. Kegs	2Pak vs. Castleknock	Galway Tribes vs. Sliders
12:00	Wicklow Wolves vs. Thirsty Camels	Thunderbolts vs. Renegade Reapers	Homers vs. Kegs	Renegades vs. Suspects	Sliders vs. Hippies
12:50	Wicklow Wolves vs. Marlay	Thirsty Camels vs. Thunderbolts	Suspects vs. NoName	Castleknock vs. Galway Tribes	Hippies vs. 2Pak
13:40	Renegade Reapers vs. Wicklow Wolves	NoName vs. Homers	Kegs vs. Renegades	Sliders vs. 2Pak	Galway Tribes vs. Hippies
	Field One	Field Two	Field Three	Field Four	Field Five
	<i>Plate Semi Final (Game #1)</i>	<i>Plate Semi Final (Game #2)</i>	<i>Bowl Semi Final (Game #3)</i>	<i>Bowl Semi Final (Game #4)</i>	<i>Spoon Semi Final (Game #5)</i>
14:30	Team 9 vs. Team 12	Team 10 vs. Team 11	Team 5 vs. Team 8	Team 6 vs. Team 7	Team 13 vs. Team 14
	<i>Cup Semi Final (Game #6)</i>	<i>Cup Semi Final (Game #7)</i>	<i>Plate Final (Game #8)</i>	<i>Bowl Final (Game #9)</i>	<i>Spoon Final (Game #10)</i>
15:20	Team 1 vs. Team 4	Team 2 vs. Team 3	Winner Game #1 vs. Winner Game #2	Winner Game #3 vs. Winner Game #4	Team 13 vs. Team 14
	<i>Cup Final (Game #11)</i>				
16:10	Winner Game #6 vs. Winner Game #7				

	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Bowl</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Spoon</u>
Finish on Points	Team 1 Team 2 Team 3 Team 4	Team 5 Team 6 Team 7 Team 8	Team 9 Team 10 Team 11 Team 12	Team 13 Team 14 Team 15

Tournament Rules

- Games are 45 minutes long.
- Games start promptly, 5 minutes after the start time, unavailable team forfeits.
- No new inning starts after 40 minutes, game ends after 45 minutes - count back.
- 3 points is awarded for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 for a loss and -3 for walkover.
- Ties on points will be broken 1st on head to head, then runs conceded, lastly by coin toss.
- Home team is first listed. Coin toss for Final matches only.

