



Formed in the summer of 2015, the Burlington Waves Fast Pitch Softball partners with the Burlington Parks and Rec department to promote fast pitch softball in Burlington, VT

Burlington Waves

Newsletter

Fall/Winter 2017

Waves Look Back on Summer Camp

For the past two years, the Waves softball program has been holding a camp in the last week of summer before schools starts back up in the fall. The camp is designed to not only help the girls get better at playing, but also to help build fastpitch softball in Burlington as a whole.

With coaches Sara Denton and Wayne Pecor, the girls learn new skills every day. And not only are they being instructed by two great coaches, they are exposed to many players from the BHS Varsity Fast pitch team. This past year, assistant coaches Audrey Nichols and Sydney Holt Barker worked with Denton and Pecor to help the campers get a better feel for their positions and the skills those positions require. Nichols helps the campers with fielding while Holt Barker works with girls interested in learning more about pitching.

A normal week of camp consists of: fielding, throwing accuracy, hitting, running the base paths, sliding, pitching and catching. All of these skills are presented in such a way as to make them both instructional and fun, helping build both skills and a love for the game.

The 2018 camp is already being planned, so keep reading to get the dates!



2018 Softball Registration

Spring will be here before you know it! Stay tuned for more information! While registration has not yet been scheduled, it will happen in February, and the first day of softball will be on March 31, 2018!

The Waves Get Their Own Song!

The Waves 2017 Championship Run. Lyrics by: Jeffrey C. Lloyd

Don't let anyone say that it's just a game
Once you're a Wave you're never the same.
Once you're a Wave, then a Wave you'll always be
Together as one – the true meaning of Team

Our team wears lime green and our team wears blue
All of us join in and wear the colors too
Whether we'll win or if we should lose, we know

Someday we'll go all the way, yeah
Someday we'll go all the way

We are one with the Waves, with the Waves we're in love
Hold our heads high as the underdogs

We crushed it in districts, won all by the rule
First District Champs Burlington's ever knew

Had St. J on the ropes – just needing three outs
"Waves never give up" the fans cheered aloud
Hold your heads high, you have every reason to be proud, and know

Someday we'll go all the way, yeah
Someday we'll go all the way, yeah
Someday we'll go all the way, yeah
Someday we'll go all the way
Yeah, someday we'll go all the way

And here's to the coaches and the parents too
And here's to Sara and the program she grew
She is the reason why we're all here
And here's to the Waves and all they gave us to cheer

And here's to Taylor, Laina and Rosie
Siena, Aoife, Lily and Mady
Maggie, Josslyn, Megan and Molly
Calista and let's not forget our Khloe,
The Waves the champs the best team around, and

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2018 Dates

Pitching Clinic:

Held at the Miller Center in
the New North End:
Thursday evenings
5:30 pm to 6:30 pm
January 18 – February 15

Open Gym:

Held at the Miller Center in
the New North End
Sunday mornings
9:30 am to 11:00 am

Waves Summer Camp

August 20 – 24
9 am to 12 pm
Registration:
<https://enjoyburlington.com>

Looking to get involved?

If you share our goals and would like to help us turn them into realities, perhaps you would be willing to join us on our Board. Please email Sara at burlingtonwaves@gmail.com and she will be happy to work with you to best utilize your talents and passions in support of the Waves!

Looking to donate gift cards, money, time or equipment? Reach out to Sara at burlingtonwaves@gmail.com! We love gift cards from Dick's, ReplaySports, Joanne's Uniforms, Epic Sports, Amazon and Kevin Smith's!



2017 BHS Varsity Softball Recap

The 2017 softball season definitely continued the BHS rebuilding process. Given that we were a very young team, we played and learned as a unit and played better and better as the season progressed. With Hannah Hershberg at first, Alex Dowett at second, Audrey Nichols at shortstop, Aliyah Burr at third, Sydney Holt Barker in the circle, Hannah Schirling at the plate, Kendal Pace in center field, Austin LaPierre in left and a platoon situation in right, we were in every game and battled to the last out every time. Hannah Schirling hit 2 home runs on the season, as did Aliyah Burr. Sydney Holt Barker pitched all but one game for the team. Kendal Pace made amazing running and diving catches in center field, pulling at least two balls back into the field to prevent home runs.

Our two wins were both against archrival Rice, even playing both of them at their field. BHS could have added three more games to the win column, but lost all three of them in the bottom of the seventh, each by one run. The Fighting Seahorses are looking forward to an improved record in 2018. While we are losing two seniors, we are returning a number of key players and seeing another influx of young players moving up into high school.

Written by: Sydney Holt Barker

BHS Varsity Softball 2018 Schedule

- Thursday April 12, 4:30 pm BHS v. SB
- Saturday April 14, 11:00 am BHS @ Colchester
- Thursday April 19, 4:30 pm BHS v. CVU
- Saturday April 21, 11:00 am BHS @ Mt. Abe

Spring Break NO GAMES SCHEDULED!!

- Monday May 1, 4:30 pm BHS v. St. J
- Wednesday May 3, 4:30 pm BHS @ MMU
- Friday May 5, 4:30 pm BHS v. Spaulding
- Tuesday May 8, 4:30 pm BHS @ Essex
- Thursday May 10, 4:30 pm BHS @ Rice
- Saturday May 12, 11:00 am BHS @ BFA
- Tuesday May 15, 4:30 pm BHS @ St. J
- Thursday May 17, 4:30 pm BHS v. Rice
- Saturday May 19, 11:00 am BHS v. Colchester
- Tuesday May 22, 4:30 pm BHS @ BFA
- Friday May 25, 4:30 pm BHS v. NC
- Saturday May 26, 11:00 am BHS @ SB

Remember: The BHS Varsity Fast Pitch Softball team plays all home games at Leddy Park in Burlington. Come out and support the Fightin' Seahorses!



Board Members:

Sara Denton – President

Scot Barker

Audrey Nichols

Eric Nichols

Kendal Pace - Founder

Wayne Pecor

Tom Simon

Waves 8-9-10 2017 Season Recap

The Burlington Waves 2017 8-9-10 team had a fantastic All-Star season, capped off by the girls winning the first district championship in Burlington's history. The team was composed of thirteen of the best young ball players around, and was coached by Tom Simon, Mike Williams and Jason Yankavitch – with Sara and several of the Senior Waves providing additional support.

The district championship double elimination tournament was held at Colchester's Airport Park, and had the Waves facing teams from Colchester,

Addison County and Williston. The girls not only won each game, but won each by the mercy rule, including the championship game against Williston. This included a game against Williston where the girls were down by several runs that was subsequently delayed by rain, only to come back the next day to take the lead and win by the mercy rule.

The state championship double elimination tournament was held in Swanton, and had the girls facing a tough team from St. Johnsbury. The first game against St. J brought the Waves All Star's their first loss. St. J went on to lose the next night to a dominant team from Missisquoi, resulting in the Waves facing St. J again two days later. The Waves showed courage and determination, giving St. J. all they could handle. The Waves battled back and forth with St. J., and took a one run lead into the 6th inning. St. J went on the win the game, eventually losing to Missisquoi in the championship game.

The Burlington Waves 2017 8-9-10 All-Star season was a tremendous amount of fun, and bodes well for the future of the Waves program. Thanks to all the parents, coaches, players and Sara, for making the season the success it was.



Waves first baseman Calista Simon assumes her ready position during the state championship game against St. Johnsbury