

Monthly Newsletter

THE GCLSL GAZETTE

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Welcome! *The President's Perspective*

What an exciting finish to the regular season! The race for first place came right down to the wire. Congratulations to The Glen, led by Mandy, on taking the top spot! Shout-out to our runners-up, L&D Tool and Die (Christine) and Reclaim Your Spark (Hayley), for a great season as well.

But don't hang up your cleats just yet! There's still plenty of ball to play. Playoffs kick off Tuesday, September 2. You can find the full schedule on our website [here](#), and stay tuned to our Facebook page for updates.

Fall Tournament

September 5–7 at Jack Charron and Beaverbrook Park. Schedule and details are posted [here](#).

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, October 1. Location TBA. Everyone is encouraged to attend as we look back on the season and plan ahead. Everyone in attendance will be entered into a draw for a half-price membership for the 2026 season!

Year-End Banquet

Saturday, October 4. This year's theme is a *Country Hoedown*, so dust off those boots, polish up your line dancing, and get ready for a night of fun! Tickets are \$10 each and will be available through your captains.

It's been an incredible season so far, and I predict plenty more fun (and a little mischief) to come. See you on the diamond!

Lisa Prentiss

League Updates

Fall Tournament Update

Due to AY no longer being playable, this year's Fall Tournament will be held at Jack Charron and Beaverbrook fields (2500 Campeau Dr.). Because of the distance between fields, we have adjusted the afternoon game times: 1:00 PM games will now begin at 1:30 PM, and 2:30 PM games will now start at 3:00 PM. For the full schedule, please visit: gclsl.ca/tournaments.

A few reminders:

- Tournament games are 6 innings, and the bottom half of the inning must be played, as all runs count toward overall tournament scores.
- Home team will be decided by coin flip at the start of each game.
- The Fundraising Committee will be raising money for the banquet with a Bat Raffle and a 50/50 draw.

Playoffs are Here!

The GCLSL playoffs kick off Tuesday, September 2nd! A few key reminders for playoff play:

- All games are 7 innings with no time limit
- First round: higher-seeded team is home. After that, the home team is decided by a coin flip.
- No ties. Start the 8th inning with a runner on 2nd.
- Replacement pitchers must be agreed upon by both captains.
- No spare may be used more than 3 times in the playoffs. Captains must communicate with each other when using spares.

Good luck to all teams as we head into an exciting playoff season!



Upcoming Events

Fall Tournament

September 5 - 7

Playoffs

September 2 - 26

AGM

October 1

Banquet

October 4



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GCLSL Tips and Resources

Stay Loose, Play Hard

With quick turnarounds between games, it's important to keep your body loose and ready. Try light dynamic stretches (like arm circles, hip rotations, or high knees) between games instead of sitting still for long periods. Even a short walk or gentle jog helps prevent stiffness and keeps your muscles warm. Staying hydrated and doing some easy mobility moves can make a big difference in keeping your swing and throws fluid through the playoffs.

GCLSL Rules Corner

Playoff Rule Change – Spare Pitchers

For playoffs, teams that need to secure a replacement pitcher must now inform the opposing captain before the start of the game. If the captains cannot agree, the executive will be contacted to make a final decision.

This replaces the previous rule where spare pitchers had to be selected from within the same tier in the standings.

Community Corner

The Lynne Heaslip Award

First presented in 1998, this award recognizes a long-standing member who reflects the welcoming spirit, mentorship, and positivity that Lynne Heaslip brought to the league. A sub-committee of past recipients and the current President oversees the award, with the recipient announced at the year-end banquet.

Criteria:

- Long-standing member of the league
- Shares knowledge and skills of the game
- Demonstrates positive attitude, fairness, and determination
- Acts as a mentor for new players

Nominations are now open! Submit nominations [here!](#)

Thank you for reading!



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