

# Monthly Newsletter

THE GCLSL GAZETTE

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January 2025

## Welcome! *The President's Perspective*

Happy New Year! Planning and preparations for the 2025 season are in full swing.

### **It's Registration Time!!!**

Registration began Sunday, January 19th and closes Sunday, January 26 at 11 PM. For returning players, please register [here](#). For players signing up for the first time, please register [here](#). Players looking to register in person can do so on January 24, 6-8 pm at Kanata Sports Club.

On January 16, we hosted an information session for people interested in joining our league. There were some great questions, and I want to thank everyone who participated and told their GCLSL story—Hayley, Lane, Steph, and Tiny. Your passion for the league and the important community it has created really shined through. Thank you for being such great ambassadors for our league.

### **A Call for Sponsors**

We are also in the process of recruiting sponsors for this year. If you know of any company that you think may be interested in sponsoring the league, please reach out.

### **Did someone say Bingo?!!**

Thank you to the Fundraising Committee (Jodi Sullivan, Hannah Sullivan, Kim Bond, and Christine Anderson) for organizing such a great social event. It was fantastic to see so many people come out for a fun night.

It is so much fun working with everyone to prepare for the upcoming season. It's amazing to see the passion everyone has for our league and the excitement for the coming season.

*Lisa Prentiss*

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# League Updates

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## Executive Meeting Update

The Executive met on January 9th to cover updates on league operations, including budget, registration, and scheduling. Minimal expenses were reported, with field cost updates pending from the City, and the Euchre tournament.

Registration will run from January 19 to 26. The Code of Conduct was adjusted for better engagement, and catchers will confirm equipment availability during sign-up. No games will occur on Holiday Mondays, except June 30, with playoffs scheduled post-Fall Tournament.

Subcommittee updates included ongoing reviews of equipment needs, plans to donate unusable bats, and fundraising events like Music Bingo and a second Euchre tournament. Recruitment efforts will feature a January 16 Info Night, social media campaigns, and outreach to local associations. Sponsorships are being actively pursued to replace departing team sponsors, while tournament planning includes potential BBQ and beer tent proposals, with memorial lanterns under consideration.

Action items include completing the Constitution review, securing sponsorships, and finalizing the draft location.



## Upcoming Events

League Registration - **January 20 - 25**  
Pre-Draft Meeting - **March 3**  
League Draft - **March 21**  
Meet the Team Night - **April 17**  
Season Starts - **May 5**  
Spring Tournament - **May 30 - June 1**  
Fall Tournament - **September 5 - 7**  
Playoffs - **September 9 - 26**  
AGM - **October 1**  
Banquet - **October 4**



## Sponsor Spotlights

We're thrilled to welcome **Eco Chic Movement** as a proud sponsor of the Glen Cairn Ladies' Softball League (GCLSL)! Run by our very own Alexis Reid, and known for their 100% natural, chemical-free skincare products, Eco Chic Movement is passionate about helping people achieve healthy skin while caring for the planet.

Eco Chic Movement has something for everyone. To learn more about this awesome company, you can visit their website at [Eco Chic Website](#).

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## GCLSL Tips and Resources

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### Softball Tip: Master the Hook Slide

When executing a hook slide, aim to approach the base at a slight angle. Extend one leg toward the edge of the base while tucking the other underneath you to steer clear of a tag. Use your hands to guide momentum but keep them off the ground to avoid injuries. A hook slide is all about timing and precision—practice to make it smooth and effective!



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## GCLSL Rules Corner

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### **We LOVE spares (and we NEED them too!)**

Spares are a vital part of the game, but remember, they can't replace a regular team member—unless they're filling a specific position, like pitcher or catcher. We believe in giving every team member the chance to contribute equally, whether it's to our thrilling victories or those tough losses. Let's all share in the game together!

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## GCLSL Event Album *(From Music Bingo)*

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**Share your GCLSL Event pics online and tag @Glen Cairn Ladies Softball League**

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## Community Corner

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We're excited to shape this newsletter into a dynamic, collaborative space—and we need your insights to make it truly valuable! If you have updates, stories, achievements, or announcements relevant to our community, we'd love for you to share them!

Your input helps us highlight the diverse perspectives, achievements, and ongoing initiatives that strengthen our community. Please send in your ideas and updates to

**[softball@gclsl.com](mailto:softball@gclsl.com).**

*Thank you for reading!*



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