



2021 BAY STATE SUMMER GAMES MEDIA INFORMATION KIT



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Local Press and Media,

Thank you in advance for your coverage of the 2021 Bay State Summer Games. Included in this media information kit is a variety of information on the Summer Games. A listing of all the athletes from the Commonwealth who will be competing in the finals can be provided to you if needed. Please contact the Bay State Games office for a list of athletes in your coverage area.

Please note that any athlete list will be created upon request but could change due to rosters and registrations still coming to our office. It will be updated throughout the Games. If you would like to get in contact with an athlete or a coach, please contact us and we will notify them.

In addition, you can find results at <https://www.baystategames.org/2021-results>.
Daily recaps and game summaries can be found in our Media Section at <https://www.baystategames.org/news>.

In the meantime, if you have any other questions or inquiries regarding the Bay State Games, please feel free to contact us.

We hope to see you at the Summer Games!

Best wishes,

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BAY STATE GAMES HISTORY

The Bay State Summer Games is Massachusetts' own Olympic-style athletic competition that has annually been held since 1982. Each year the Summer Games features 6,000 athletes competing in 25 sports. Athletes of all ages and abilities represent over 300 Massachusetts communities as well as Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, and New York each year. The Summer Games take place annually during the month of July consisting of showcase sports, individual sports, and team sports. Tryouts for showcase sports are held during the month of June statewide. Finals for all Summer Games competitions are held in the Metro Boston and Central Massachusetts areas.

The Bay State Games are a program of an organization called The Massachusetts Amateur Sports Foundation (MASF). MASF is a 501© (3), non-profit organization that was established to host the first sanctioned State Games of Massachusetts. Today, the MASF operates with the mission of promoting personal development, education, physical fitness, teamwork, and good sportsmanship through athletic competitions and educational programs for the people of Massachusetts.

The Bay State Games was founded by Dave McGillivray in 1982. McGillivray was on the Governor's Council of Physical Fitness and Sports. He wanted to create a state-wide summer sports festival for Massachusetts. McGillivray appointed Doug Arnot to pitch the idea of "Sportsfest" to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to become the executive director. "Sportsfest" started off with only four sports with 500 athletes. The games were conducted on hardwood floors and playing fields at the University of Massachusetts Boston.

The Summer Games' breakthrough year came in 1985 when basketball became the showcase event in both women's and men's divisions. The same year, Arnot developed the idea of creating a winter sports festival for Massachusetts athletes. The Winter Games took place in the Northern Berkshire region because of the available facilities. Four hundred athletes took part in the inaugural Winter Games with competitions including figure skating, alpine skiing, cross country skiing, and speed skating. Within the first couple of year of the Winter Games, there was much experimentation. Figure staking and alpine skiing are the only two sports which have been included in every Winter Games. Current sports in the Winter Games include figure skating, alpine skiing, cross country skiing, snowshoe racing, curling, masters ice hockey, and bowling.

Today, the Bay State Games produces quality Olympic-style competitions in summer and winter sports. The Bay State Games is a member of the National Congress of State Games which consists of over 30 member states. The National Congress of State Games is a member of the United States Olympic Committee's Multi-Sport Organization Counsel. Athletes in selected sports who win medals at the Bay State Summer and Winter Games are invited to compete at the State Games of America held bi-annually at a selected location within the country.

The State Games of America has been held in St. Louis, MO; Hartford, CT; Colorado Springs, CO; San Diego, CA; Hershey, PA; and Lincoln, NE. The Games will be held in Des Moines, IA in 2022. Figure Skating has been one of the largest sports in the State Games of America since its inception. Massachusetts has led the way in State Games of America Figure Skating participation often having the most competitors of any state in the event.

2021 SUMMER GAMES SCHEDULE

6 V 6 FIELD HOCKEY

Saturday July 24
Worcester State

7 V 7 GIRLS LACROSSE

Saturday July 13 – Sunday July 14
Veterans Memorial Complex,
Waltham

7v7 WOMENS LACROSSE

Saturday July 10
Veterans Memorial Complex,
Waltham

ARCHERY

Saturday July 24
Willard Field - Devens

BADMINTON

Monday August 23 –
Wednesday August 25
Boston Badminton

BASEBALL

Tuesday July 6 – Thursday July 8
Boston College High School

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Saturday July 17 – Sunday July 18
The Rivers School, Weston

BATON TWIRLING

Sunday June 6
Virtual

FENCING

Saturday August 21 – Sunday August 22
Boston Fencing Club

FIELD HOCKEY

Friday July 9 – Sunday July 11
Veterans Memorial Complex,
Waltham

FIGURE SKATING

Saturday June 12
Nashoba Valley Olympia,
Boxborough

FOOTGOLF

Saturday July 24
Quail Ridge Golf Course, Acton

ICE HOCKEY

Thursday July 8 – Sunday July 11
New England Sports Center,
Marlborough

BOYS LACROSSE

Monday July 12 – Wednesday July 14
Veterans Memorial Complex,
Waltham

PICKLEBALL

Saturday July 24 – Sunday July 25
The Mill Works, Westford

RUGBY 7s

Saturday July 31
Union Point Complex,
Weymouth

SHOOTING – AIR

Sunday July 27
Massachusetts Rifle Association,
Woburn

SHOOTING – PISTOL

Sunday July 11
Massachusetts Rifle Association,
Woburn

SHOOTING – TRAP

Saturday August 7
Leominster Rod & Gun Club

SOCCER

Thursday July 8 – Sunday July 11
Veterans Memorial Complex,
Waltham

SOFTBALL

Tuesday July 13 – Thursday July 15
Willard Field - Devens

SWIMMING

Saturday July 31 – Sunday August 1
Regis College, Weston

TRACK & FIELD

Saturday July 10
Regis College, Weston

VOLLEYBALL

Saturday July 10 – Sunday July 11
The Rivers School, Weston

WEIGHTLIFTING

Saturday July 17 – Sunday July 18
CrossFit Five Plus, Beverly

For more detailed information, please visit
baystategames.org/finals-schedule

VENUES FOR THE 2021 SUMMER GAMES

Boston Badminton

169 Flanders Road
Westborough, MA 01581

Boston College High School

150 William T Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125

Boston Fencing Club

100 Holton Street
Brighton, MA 02135

CrossFit Five Plus

100 Cummings Center Suite 135e
Beverly, MA 01915

Leominster Rod & Gun Club

1501 Lancaster Ave
Lunenburg, MA 01462

Mass. Rifle Association

290R Salem Street
Woburn, MA 01801

The Mill Works

22 Town Farm Road
Westford, MA 01886

Nashoba Valley Olympia

34 Massachusetts Ave
Boxborough, MA 01719

New England Sports Center

121 Donald Lynch Blvd
Marlborough, MA 01752

Quail Ridge Country Club

354 Great Road
Acton, MA 01720

Regis College

235 Wellesley Street
Weston, MA 02493

Rivers School

33 Winter Street
Weston, MA 02493

Union Point Complex

26 Memorial Grove Avenue
Weymouth, MA 02190

Veterans Memorial Complex

385 Forest Street
Waltham, MA 02452

Willard Field Complex, Devens

Sherman Ave
Devens, MA 01434

Worcester State University

486 Chandler Street
Worcester, MA 01602

2021 SUMMER GAMES

By the Numbers

Years	39
Sports	25
Archery, Badminton, Baseball, Girls Basketball, Baton Twirling, Fencing, Field Hockey, 6v6 Field Hockey, Boys and Girls Ice Hockey, Boys Lacrosse, 7v7 Girls Lacrosse, Pistol Shooting, Rugby 7's, Boys and Girls Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Track & Field, Boys and Girls Volleyball, and Weightlifting	
Venues	16
Boston Badminton, Westborough; Boston College High School, Boston; Boston Fencing Club, Brighton; CrossFit Five Plus, Beverly; Leominster Rod & Gun Club, Lunenburg; Massachusetts Rifle Association, Woburn; The Mill Works, Westford; Nashoba Valley Olympia, Boxborough; New England Sports Center, Marlborough; Quail Ridge Country Club, Acton; Regis College, Weston; Rivers School, Weston; Union Point Complex, Weymouth; Veterans Memorial Complex, Waltham; Willard Field Complex, Devens; Worcester State University, Worcester	
Athletes	6,000+
Number of medals awarded	2,750+
BSG Staff	10
Volunteers	1,000+
Judges & Officials	500

Programs of the Massachusetts Amateur Sports Foundation



Bay State Summer Games

The Summer Games have been held since 1982 and features almost 7,000 athletes in 26 sports. Athletes represent over 300 Massachusetts communities, and range in age from 5 to 91. Tryouts are held throughout the state in June and finals take place in Boston and Central Massachusetts in mid-July.



Bay State Winter Games

Since 1985 the Berkshire County of Massachusetts has hosted the Bay State Winter Games. Approximately 1,000 athletes compete in figure skating, alpine skiing, and masters' ice hockey. Participants represent 200 Massachusetts communities, and range in age from 8 – 70.



Future Leaders Scholarship Program

The Future Leaders Scholarship annually awards six \$2,000 college scholarships to Bay State Summer and Winter Games participants who demonstrate leadership through community service, academic excellence, and athletic achievement. Over \$250,000 in scholarships has been award since 1985.



Sportsmanship Initiative

New Balance and the MASF created this initiative to educate all Bay State Games participants on the elements of good sportsmanship. The sportsmanship of all participants is evaluated and over 200 participants are recognized for exhibiting exemplary behavior on the field of play.



Bay State Games Hall of Fame

The Bay State Games Hall of Fame recognizes athletes, volunteers, coaches, officials, and organizers who have had an extraordinary impact on the people and communities that are a part of the Games. Inductees include former Bay State Games athletes who competed in the Olympics, NBA, NHL, and MLB.



High School Ambassador Program

The Bay State Games High School Ambassador Program provides opportunities for student-athletes at high schools across Massachusetts who are interested in pursuing a career in sports management. This program designates nominated students to serve as Bay State Games spokespersons at their school and provide them with firsthand sport marketing experience. These students also have an opportunity to work at Bay State Games events in the summer and gain valuable sports operations experience.



Athlete of the Year

The Bay State Games Athlete of the Year program was established to recognize individuals who excel above and beyond their participation in the Bay State Games. Individuals are chosen based on overall achievements, involvement in the Bay State Games, and involvement in their community, effort, sportsmanship, and attitude on and off the field. Nominations can be submitted by coaches, commissioners, parents, volunteers, and even other players.



Adopt an Athlete Program

The Bay State Games created the Adopt an Athlete Program to offer an opportunity for low-income athletes and families to participate in the Games at no cost. Every dollar raised through the Adopt-an Athlete Program will help remove the financial barriers and afford Massachusetts residents the opportunity to participate in our yearly tradition, regardless of financial status.

2021 BAY STATE GAMES HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

NICOLE WOODS – FIELD HOCKEY

Nicole Woods is a current US National Field Hockey midfielder/striker. Despite wanting to play ice hockey in college growing up, Nicole became a field hockey star at Beverly High School, as she was a four-time Northeastern Conference All-Star and was named the All-Conference Player of the Year in 2012. Following a hectic recruiting process, Nicole was accepted as a walk-on to the University of Louisville field hockey team, where she quickly earned a full scholarship through her standout play. During her time at Louisville, Nicole made the top 10 of both the team's all-time career points (71) and assists (25) leaderboards. After being selected to the Team USA U19 field hockey team in 2014 and the U21 team in 2015, she finally made the United States National team in 2017. Since joining Team USA, Nicole has made 31 appearances and has participated in three world championships.

WALLY COLLINS – MEDICAL

Wally Collins and Collins Sports Medicine has been affiliated with the Bay state Games almost since the Games started back in the early 1980's. Wally won the mile in one of the first years of the games in the time of 4:11. Wally then went on to start Collins Sports Medicine, one of the largest Sports Medicine distributors in the country and has been donating supplies and supporting the games for the past decades.

WALTHAM RECREATION DEPARTMENT – HOST VENUE

For over a decade, the department has supported Bay State Games by providing high quality venues for events in field hockey, soccer, lacrosse, and softball. Accepting the award on behalf of the City of Waltham Recreation Department is Nick Abruzzi, Director for over 20 years.

BAY STATE GAMES HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

CLASS of 2019

Yvonne Chern – Badminton Commissioner, President of Northeast Badminton Association

Beth Sopka – Badminton Commissioner, President of the MA Badminton Association for nearly 20 years

Charlie Titus – Basketball and Board Member, Coach (UMB), New England Basketball Hall of Fame

Orlando Vandross – Basketball, Head Coach (BU, UNC Charlotte), Assistant Coach University of Virginia

CLASS OF 2018

Samantha Livingstone – BSG Swimmer, Swimmer at Univ. of Georgia, Gold Medal in 2000 Olympics

Tara Danielson – BSG Field Hockey Athlete, US National Team, Head Coach of Stanford University

Denis Reno – Co-director of BSG Weightlifting for 20+ years, coach for several US Weightlifting teams

Dave Lussier – Co-director of BSG Weightlifting for 20+ years, past president of NE Weightlifting

CLASS OF 2017

Tom Thibodeau – Bay State Games Coach, NBA and Olympic Coach

Chris Lane. – 20-year Lacrosse Officials Commissioner for Summer Games

Tracey Gangi Johnson – 15-year Baton Twirling Commissioner for Summer Games

CLASS OF 2016

Dr. Arthur Pappas – Chairman of the Bay State Games from 1984 through 1998

Jim Carboneau. – Bay State Games Track & Field organizer and official

David Blake – Bay State Games Fencing Committee

CLASS OF 2015

Joe Lemar – BSG Track Athlete; US Paralympic gold medal winner at '92 Games in Barcelona

Greg Derr. – BSG Shooting Athlete. Member US Olympic Shooting Team in '96 in Atlanta

Dave Harrison – Bay State Games Board member, volunteer and official

CLASS OF 2014

Keith Yandle – BSG Ice Hockey; Played for Phoenix Coyotes, NY Rangers and Florida Panthers

Dr. Lyle Micheli – BSG Medical Coordinator. Director of Sports Medicine Children's Hospital Boston

Dr. Pierre d'Hemecourt – BSG Medical coordinator, Physician-Children's Hospital Sports Medicine

Bill Cleary – BSG Board Member, former Athletic Director and Men's Hockey Coach, Harvard Univ.

CLASS OF 2013

Rich Hill – BSG Baseball athlete; Played for Cubs, Orioles, Red Sox, Indians, and Dodgers

Katy Hayden – 27-year ISI Figure Skating Commissioner for Winter Games

Jack Sordillo – Bay State Games Board member, volunteer, and 7 v 7 soccer official coordinator

CLASS OF 2012

Elena Pirozhkova – BSG Wrestling participant; 2012 US Olympic Wrestling Team, 4-time US Champ

New Balance Athletic Shoe Inc. – Long time sponsor and supporter of Bay State Games

Rick Meara – Bay State Games Judo Commissioner and tournament director

CLASS OF 2011

Carlos Peña – BSG Baseball; Played in 14 MLB seasons; 2009 MLB All-Star; MLB Network Analyst

Ted Neill – Wrestling organizer and officials coordinator

Carol Kronoplos – Field Hockey officials coordinator and 6v6 Field Hockey tournament director

CLASS OF 2010

Jack Aborn – Archery Commissioner

Jim Fanning – Softball Commissioner

Patty Flanagan – Synchronized Swimming Commissioner

CLASS OF 2009

Bill Guerin – BSG Ice Hockey; 17-year NHL veteran; 2-time Stanley Cup Champion; Asst. GM Penguins

Ann Welch – Track & Field volunteer for over 20 years

Bob McCorry – Rifle Shooting commissioner

Peter Buxton – Twenty year history as a Bay State Games participant and current board member

CLASS OF 2008

Sarah Behn – BSG Basketball Athlete; All American at Boston College; Big East Scoring Champ

Mike Burns – BSG Soccer Athlete; 1992 US Olympic Soccer team; 1998 US World Cup Soccer team

Joe Chirico – Diving Commissioner

Rachel Woo – Bay State Games Soccer Officials Coordinator

CLASS OF 2007

Nancy Kerrigan – BSG Figure Skating Participant; Two-time Olympic Figure Skating team member.

Dave Marcus – Table Tennis Commissioner

Joe Cacciatore – Baseball Umpire Commissioner

Bruce McAndrews – Member of Winter Games organizing committee for over 20 years

CLASS OF 2006

Dana Barros – BSG Basketball participant; 13-year NBA veteran and NBA All-Star

Doug Arnot – Founded Bay State Games in 1982 and served as director for 10 years

Athletic Trainers of Massachusetts (Brian Fitzgerald, Jeff Stone and Diane Sartanowicz)

Rich Moran – 25-year Summer Games volunteer

CLASS OF 2005

Kelly Dostal – BSG Field Hockey participant. Three-time NCAA champion and player of year

Jim Maher – Wrestling Commissioner

Louise Wing – 30-year Synchro Swimming athlete, National State Games Athlete of the Year

Diane Wilcox – 30-year volunteer

CLASS OF 2004

Jim Pedro – BSG Wrestling participant; Four-time member of the US Olympic Judo Team

UMass Boston – Host of Summer Finals for 30 years

Jeanne King – 20-year volunteer from Verizon

CLASS OF 2003

Rebecca Lobo – BSG Basketball participant; Olympic medalist; NCAA Champion; WNBA player

Tom Lynch – Ice Hockey Officials Coordinator

Jim Underwood – Soccer Commissioner

CLASS OF 2002

Reggie Lewis – BSG Basketball participant; Former member of Boston Celtics

Leda Levine – Field Hockey Commissioner

Barb Cece – Figure Skating Commissioner

CLASS OF 2001

Melissa Mulloy-Mecozzi – BSG Shooting Participant. Member of the US Olympic Shooting team

Charlie Butterfield – Track & Field Commissioner

Rob Garon – Swimming Commissioner

NOTABLE BAY STATE GAMES ALUMNI

Dana Barros	Boston Celtics-1995 NBA All-Star
Sarah Behn	Head Coach-Brown Women's Basketball
Surya Bonaly	3-time French Olympic Figure Skating Team
Rick Bronson	NY Knicks, Boston Celtics, Chicago Bulls
Mike Burns	World Cup/Olympic Soccer
Karen Cashman	US Olympic Speed Skating Bronze-Medalist
James Chico-Hernandez	World Cup Sambo Vice-Champion
Mark Coogan	Olympic Marathon
Pat Connaughton	Milwaukee Bucks (NBA)
Ed Cooley	Basketball Coach-Providence College
Jim Craig	1980 US Olympic Ice Hockey
Bill Curley	NBA Player/Head Basketball Coach - Emerson
Calvin Davis	Olympic Track
Vinny DelNegro	NBA Player-Spurs, Bucks/Coach-Bulls, Clippers
Greg Derr	US Olympic Shooting Team
Kelly Dostal	US Olympic Women's Field Hockey Team
Howard Eisley	NBA player (12 years) - Jazz, Timberwolves
Bill Guerin	NHL/Olympian/GM of Minnesota Wild (NHL)
Greg Herenda	Head Basketball Coach - Providence/US Alpine Skiing
Bill Herrion	Head Basketball Coach – Drexel, UNH
Rich Hill	Tampa Bay Rays (MLB)
David Jensen	US Olympic Ice Hockey
Derek Kellogg	Basketball Coach – LIU Brooklyn
Nancy Kerrigan	Olympic Figure Skater
Joe LeMar	US Paralympic Gold-Medalist
Reggie Lewis	Boston Celtics
Samantha Livingstone	Olympic Swimming Gold-Medalist
Rebecca Lobo	NCAA/Olympics/Basketball Hall of Fame
Melissa Mulloy	US Olympic Shooting Team
Jimmy Pedro	Olympic Judo
Carlos Pena	MLB All-Star/ MLB Network Analyst
Elena Pirozhkova	US Olympic Women's Wrestling Team
Pat Skerry	Basketball Coach - Towson University
Tom Thibodeau	NBA & Olympic Men's Basketball Coach
Orlando Vandross	NCAA Basketball Coach - 2019 National Championship
Kara Wolters	Olympic/WNBA Basketball
Nicole Woods	US National Field Hockey Team
Keith Yandle	Florida Panthers (NHL)