

cranston national budlong
RAVENS
invitational

Thursday, June 12 ~ Sunday, June 15, 2014
U14 & U12 (class B) ~ U10 (open)
\$395 ~ 4 Game Guarantee
Cranston, Rhode Island

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Divisions: U14 (class B), U12 (class B) and U10 (open)

Format: 3-Game Pool + Single-Elimination Bracket

Price: \$395.00 per team : 10-team max per division

Checks payable to "CNB Ravens".

No refunds after June 1, 2014.

Check-In

Check-in at the facility hospitality tent (each facility has one) at least one (1) hour prior to first tournament game:

- At least one coach must be ACE certified.
- Emergency team contact phone.
- Signed ASA Roster/Waiver. Non-rostered players are ineligible to participate.
- Copy of insurance certificate.*
- Player birth certificates must be on-hand if requested. Failure to produce the birth certificate may result in the player being disqualified.

Awards

In elimination bracket play, 1st- and 2nd-place teams will receive trophies.

During pool-play, MVP pins will be awarded to a player from each team following each game. Opposing team will choose MVP. MVP pins will be provided to teams at check-in.

Team & Spectator Conduct

NO alcohol, smoking**, harassment of the umpires or opposing players, fighting, or unfair tactics will be tolerated. Managers are expected to control themselves, players, coaches and spectators. Failure to do so will result in forfeit of the game and/or ejection from the tournament. **Smoking is only permitted in parking or designated areas.

No noise-makers allowed (horns, bells, whistles, etc.).

Tournament Contacts

Tournament Director: PJ Bessette @ 401-413-7670

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Contact #3: Paul Biello @ 401-323-8823

Tournament news and updates on www.CranstonRavens.com.

Elimination Bracket Seeding

Bracket Seeding is based on the following:

- 1 : Best winning percentage. All games count, even if some teams play more games than others.
- 2 : Most wins.
- 3 : Head-to-head competition. If more than two teams are tied, head to head applies if, and only if, the tied teams have all played each other and there is a clear order.
- 3 : Fewest runs allowed.
- 4 : Coin flip (if more than two teams involved, a draw out of a hat shall be used).

Bad Weather

If inclement weather or other conditions impede the normal progress of the tournament, the Tournament Director reserves the right to change the tournament format in order to achieve the maximum number of games played or to declare an order of finish. Should the tournament be cancelled entirely due to inclement weather, the registration fee will be returned as follows:

If tournament begins and...

- no games are played: full refund minus tournament expenses. Teams will receive a tally sheet explaining expenses.
- only one game played: \$200 refund (1/2 entry fee).
- two-or-more games played: no refund.

First-Aid*

Ice and a small supply of bandages are available in the concession stand. Managers should have an emergency supply kit for their team and spectators available at all games. Garden City Medical Center is centrally located for minor emergencies (see attached map): 401-946-2400.

** Each team is responsible for their own insurance. Cranston National Budlong, the city of Cranston, the softball facilities in use for the tournament, tournament directors and the umpire(s) in chief assume no responsibility for insurance or injury.*



Playing Rules for All Divisions

1 : 2014 ASA rules will be followed for all games, except as noted below.

- 2 : ASA umpires will be used for all games in this tournament.
- 3 : This is a zero tolerance tournament. If you are ejected from a game by the umpire, you must immediately leave the facility and the tournament director has the right to ban you for the duration of the tournament.
- 4 : Games will last seven (7) innings. No new inning may begin after one (1) hour and 25 minutes. Time begins with the game's first pitch. A new inning begins immediately following the 3rd-out of the home team's at-bat. The semi-final and championship elimination games will have no time limit. There is NO drop-dead rule as the new inning will be played to it's conclusion. Umpire shall announce "last inning" to both coaches (if game will end early due to time).
- 5 : Should any game be suspended due to weather or unusual circumstances, it will be resumed from the point of suspension. The tournament director reserves the right to amend the schedule as needed, including reducing the number of games played or cancelling the tournament. We appreciate your flexibility and patience should weather become an issue.
- 6 : Please arrive 30 minutes early to scheduled games as they may begin early.
- 7 : Minimum of 8 players required to play a game. The 9th batting position will be counted as an out each time that player was to have batted. A late-arriving player may be added to that batting position, thus removing the automatic out.
- 8 : Each team is responsible for providing a lineup sheet to the opposing team ten (10) minutes prior to the start of the game. Provide to umpire during the pregame meeting at homeplate.
- 9 : Ground-rules will be covered during the pregame meeting at homeplate with the coaches and umpires.
- 10 : There is no grace-period for teams unable to start the game as scheduled. A forfeit shall be called, resulting in a 7-0 score.
- 11 : During pool-play, dugouts are not assigned. During elimination bracket play, the home team will occupy the 1st-base dugout. Exception: if continuing on the same field, teams will remain in the same dugout they currently occupy.
- 12 : No infield allowed before games. Teams may take ground balls in the outfield grass on their respective side.
- 13 : During pool-play games, a coin-flip will determine the home team. The umpire will decide which team will call the coin-flip. During elimination games, the higher-seeded team will have the choice of "home" or "visitor".
- 14 : The home team is responsible for keeping the scorebook. At the end of each inning, both teams must agree to the score, otherwise the home book is considered accurate.
- 15 : Teams may bat one (1) or two (2) extra players (EP) in addition to their nine (9) defensive players. These EP's may freely substitute on defense without reporting to umpire. Once a team decides on using the EP(s), they may not be eliminated from the lineup (team is committed to using them throughout the game). A team may also use a DP in addition to the EP player(s), designating a fielder as the FLEX. All additional players are substitutes. ASA substitution rules apply.
- 16 : No game protests are allowed. All disputes will be resolved at the time of the incident with the coaches and umpire prior to game continuation. If necessary, the on-site tournament official will have last say on any rule interpretation that is debated or anything else not fully defined in this document. The game clock shall be paused if tournament official becomes involved in discussion.
- 17 : Run-ahead (mercy) rule: 15 runs ahead after three innings, 12 after four innings or 8 after five innings.
- 18 : Pool-play games may end in tie (no extra innings even if time allows). During elimination games, if the game ends in a tie, the ASA International Tiebreaker rule shall be used until a winner is determined.

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Playing Rules for All Divisions *(continued from previous page)*

- 19 : The winning team is responsible to submit the score, immediately following the game, to the facility hospitality tent.
- 20 : All players must wear matching uniforms.
- 21 : Each team must have a minimum of one (a) coach on the field that is ACE certified.
- 22 : Helmets must have cages and chin-straps.
- 23 : A courtesy runner may be used, from the available substitutes that are not in the lineup, for the pitcher or catcher or an injured player (injured while at-bat or running the bases). Once an injured player is run for, that player may not return to the same game. Should a team have no available substitutes, the pitcher/catcher shall run for themselves. If a player is injured while at-bat or running the bases and the team has no available substitutes, the last scheduled batter that inning may be used as a courtesy runner. The injured player is now out of the game and an out will be recorded when their position in the batting order comes up again.
- 24 : Continuation is allowed (stealing 2nd-base after a walk during same play).
- 25 : Batter may advance on dropped 3rd-strike.
- 26 : Runners may advance on any overthrow and steal any base.

10U Playing Rules



- 11-inch ball and 35-foot pitching distance.
- A 4th-outfielder may be used (10th fielder). She may not play over 2nd-base and must be positioned in the outfield.

12U Playing Rules

- 12-inch ball and 40-foot pitching distance.

14U Playing Rules

- 12-inch ball and 43-foot pitching distance.
- *Following the game, please ensure the dugout and spectator area are clean.*
- *Batting cages are available on first-come, first-served basis.
Please, only one team per cage (unless cages are open).*





Cranston National Budlong

198 Aqueduct Road, Cranston, RI 029210

Google Map: <http://goo.gl/maps/STnWi>

A: AQ3 Softball Field

B: AQ4 U8/Teeball Field

Parking is tight in the lot and overflow can park along the street next to the baseball fields. Full concession stand, boys and girls restrooms + portable near the softball field, stands, batting cage and basketball courts.

Time to Brayton Park: 6 min (2.9 miles)

Time to Bain (Tate Fields): 8 min (3.7 miles)

From I-95 (North)

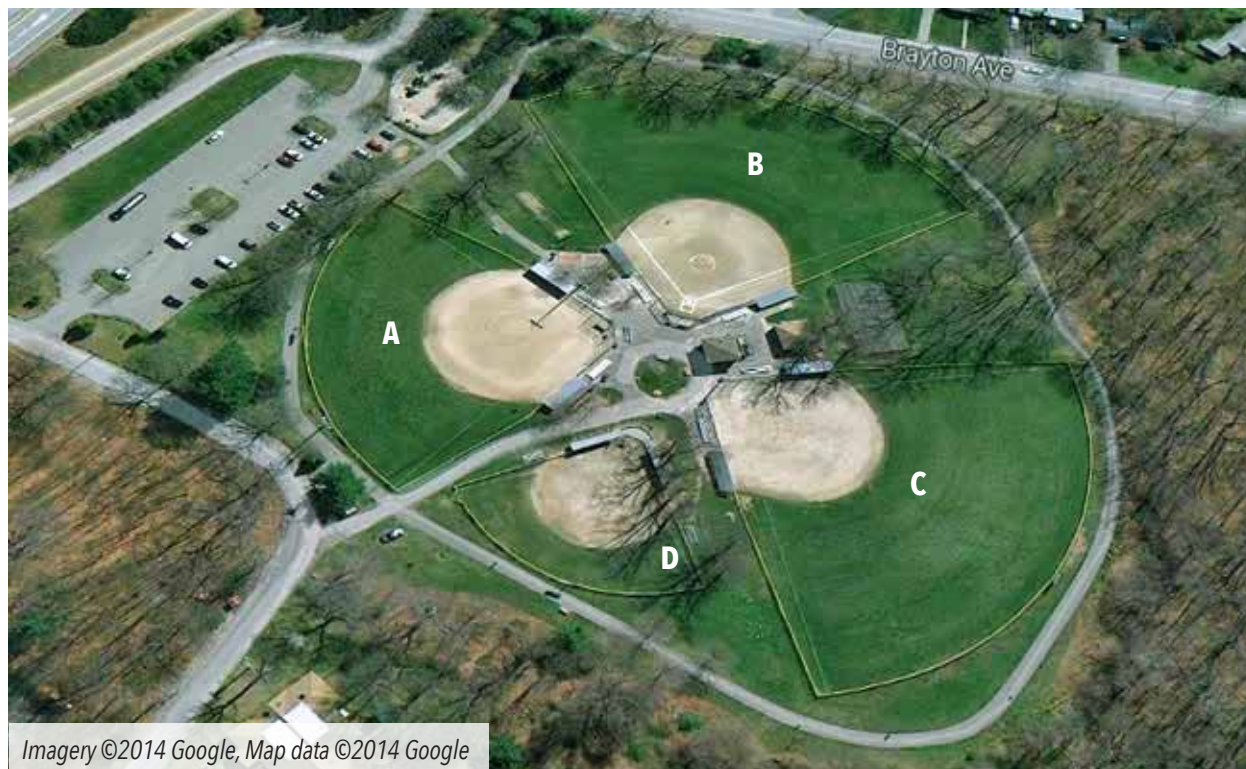
Take exit 16 (Route-10 North) to the RI-2/Reservoir Ave exit. Turn right on Reservoir Ave. Follow for 1.5 miles and turn left onto Aqueduct Rd (just past Taco Bell). Go 0.3 miles. Field is on right, just past Budlong Pool.

From I-95 (South) or I-295 (North or South)

From I-95 (South)... Take exit 14B to Route-37 West...

From I-295... Take exit 3A to Route-37 East...

Now... take exit 2B onto RI-2 North/New London Ave. Continue for 1.6 miles (New London Ave turns into Reservoir Ave). Turn left onto Aqueduct Rd (just past Taco Bell). Go 0.3 miles. Field is on right, just past Budlong Pool.



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Brayton Park

Brayton Ave and Woodhill Drive, Cranston, RI 02920

Google Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/URCG1>

A: Capirchio Field (lighted field)

B: Perry Field

C: President's Field

D: Taft Field (U8 - 125-foot fence)

Plenty of parking in lot and along both sides of exit road out the back. Covered dugouts, full concession stand, restrooms, batting cages, stands, walking track and playground.

Time to Cranston National Budlong: 6 min (2.9 miles)

Time to Bain (Tate Fields): 8 min (3.7 miles)

From I-95 (North or South)

Take exit 14B to Route-37 West. Take exit 2A onto RI-2 South New London Ave. Continue on New London Ave through the traffic signal, then veer right at fork. Fields on your right.

From I-295 (North or South)

Take exit 3A to Route-37 East. Take exit 2A onto RI-2 South New London Ave. Continue on New London Ave through the traffic signal, then veer right at fork. Fields on your right.



Bain – Tate Softball Fields

Oak St and Trainor St, Cranston, RI 02910

Google Map: <http://goo.gl/Jtrxp>

A: Tate Upper Field

B: Tate Lower Field

Plenty of parking in front of Tate Upper field and lot behind Tate Lower field. Boys and girls restrooms, stands at upper field, walking track and lots of space for the kids to play.

Time to Cranston National Budlong: 8 min (3.7 miles)

Time to Brayton Park: 8 min (3.7 miles)

From I-95 (North)

Exit 16 (Route-10 North) to the RI-2/Reservoir Ave. Turn right on Reservoir. Follow 0.6 miles and turn right at Park Ave (just past Wash Trust Bank). Go 0.5 miles and turn right at Gansett Ave. Fields are one block on left.

From I-95 (South) or I-295 (South)

From I-95 (South)... take exit 14B to Route-37 West...

From I-295 (South)... take exit 3A to Route-37 East....

Now... take exit 2B to RI-2 North/New London Ave. Continue for 1.1 miles (New London Ave turns into Reservoir Ave). Just past Garden City, veer slight right towards Woodridge Rd (traffic signal). Go through signal and turn right at Budlong Rd. Continue 1.1 miles (Budlong Rd becomes Dyer Ave). Turn right at Pine St/Trainor St. Fields are a few blocks ahead on left.

From I-295 (North)

Exit 4 to Plainfield Pike and turn left at signal. Continue on Plainfield Pike for 1.5 miles. Turn right on Atwood Ave. Continue for 1.4 miles. Turn left at Phenix Ave (CVS) and continue for 0.8 miles (Phenix Ave becomes Park Ave). Turn left at Dyer Ave. Turn right at Pine St/Trainor St. Fields are a few blocks ahead on left.



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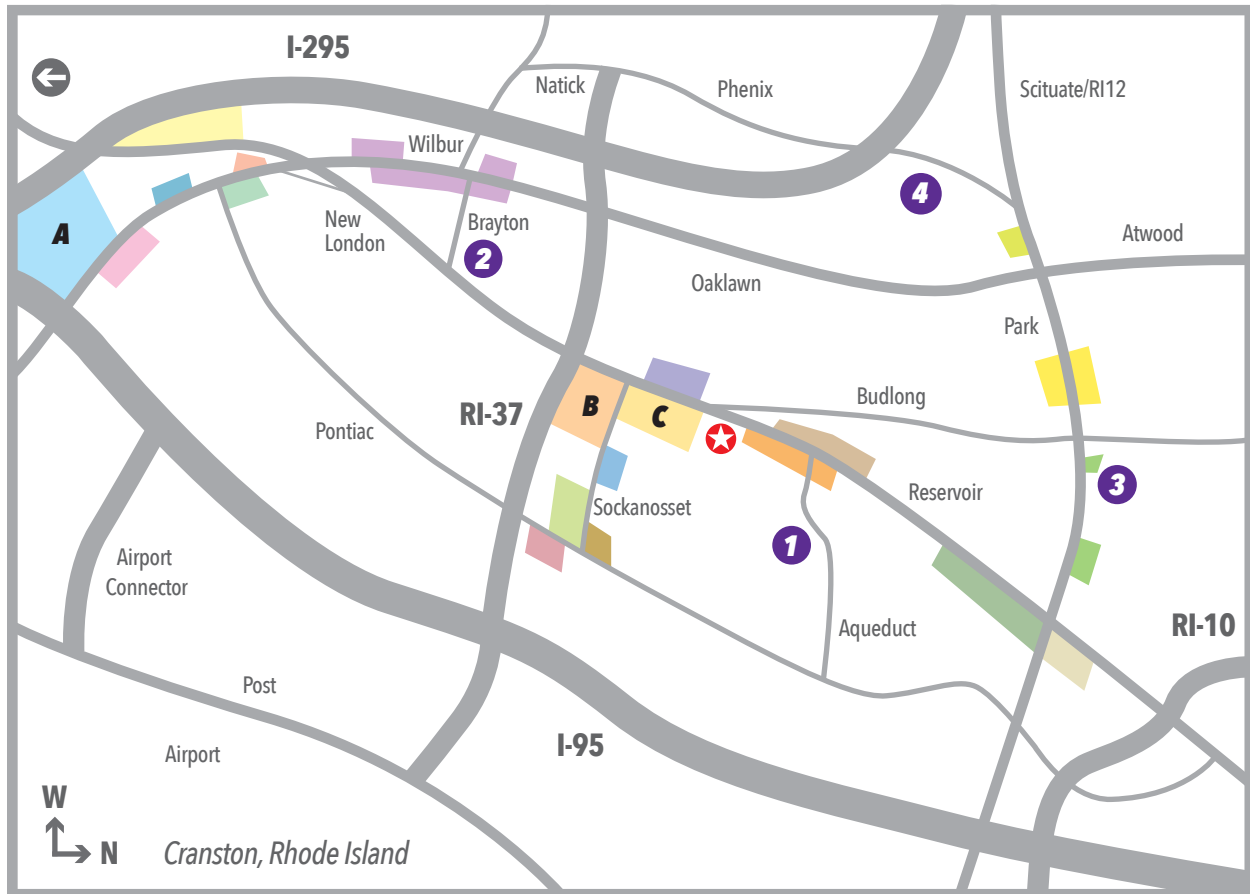
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