



## **HOME RUN DERBY @ FAMILY DAY**



**SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> @ CASTLE HAYNE COUNTY PARK**

**Eligibility:** Entrants and pitchers must be registered CMBL players who have paid to attend Family Day. Each entrant and pitcher must sign in before the Derby begins.

**Entry Fee:** \$5 per Entrant

**Prize:** 50% of Entry fees per Age Group (35+ and 50+) plus Bragging Rights and Official Certificate

### **RULES**

- 1. Equipment:** Only Wood Bats acceptable under CMBL Rules may be used. Each Entrant must supply his own bat(s). Baseballs to be supplied by the CMBL.
- 2. Pitchers:** Each Entrant must supply his own pitcher. A pitcher may not be replaced once the competition begins, unless in the nonreviewable opinion of the judges the pitcher is unable to continue due to injury.

- 3. Pitching:** Pitchers must throw legal pitches from the pitching rubber.
- 4. Home Runs:** A Home Run consists of hitting a pitched ball over the fence in fair territory. A Home Run does not constitute a swing.
- 5. Outs:** Each Entrant will be given 10 outs per Round. An Out is registered when an Entrant swings and does not hit a Home Run. A swing consists of an attempt to strike a pitched ball OR the failure to swing at five (5) consecutive pitches. A fair ball that does not clear the fence, a missed swing, foul ball or foul tip constitutes a Out.
- 6. Judges:** A panel of Judges will record the number of Home Runs and swings per contestant. In addition, they shall determine all questions or disputes, e.g., fair or foul, legality of equipment, etc. The Judges' determinations shall be final.
- 7. Age Group:** The competition shall be divided according to Age Groups – 35+ and 50+.

### **COMPETITION FORMAT**

- 1. Opening Round:**
  - (a)** Each Entrant will get 10 outs to hit as many Home Runs as possible.
  - (b)** Order of hitting will be determined alphabetically by last name.
  - (c)** Excluding those who hit no Home Runs, the top five Entrants with the most Home Runs in an Age Group will advance to the next Round. In case of a tie for the last spot, there will be a three out Hit-off. The Entrant with the greater number of Home Runs in the Hit-off will advance to the Semi-Finals. If no Home Runs are hit during the Hit-off, none of the tied Entrants shall advance. If there is still a tie among Entrants after the Hit-off, then each Entrant tied will advance to the Semi-Finals.
- 2. Semi-Final Round:**
  - (a)** Each Entrant will get 10 outs to hit as many Home Runs as possible
  - (b)** Order of Hitting will be determined in reverse order of tally in previous Round (player with the most Home Runs hits last).
  - (c)** The two Entrants in each Age Group with the highest number of Home Runs in the first two Rounds will advance to the Championship round. Home Run totals from the Opening Round carry over to the Semi-Final Round, but do not carry over to the Champoinship Round.
- 3. Championship Round:**
  - (a)** Each Entrant will get 10 outs to hit as many Home Runs as possible.
  - (b)** Order of Hitting will be determined in reverse order of tally in previous Round (player with the most Home Runs hits last).

**(c) The Entrant in each Age Group who hits the most Home Runs in the Championship Round is declared the Home Run Derby Champion.**

**(d) Championship Tie-Breaker: If the two finalists hit the same number of Home Runs in the Championship Round, there will be a three out Hit-off, with the Entrant with the greater number of Home Runs winning. If there is no winner after this Hit-off, there will be a “Home Run Derby Showdown”.**

**(e) Home Run Derby Showdown: The Entrants will hit in the same order as in the Championship Round. Each player will get one swing. If one Entrant hits a Home Run and the other does not, the Entrant who hits a Home Run is the Champion. If they both hit Home Runs or neither hits a Home Run, the process will continue until one Entrant hits a Home Run and the other makes an out.**



**\*Starting time for Home Run Derby will be determined based on number of entrants. Stay tuned to website for further details.**