



pine banks park

Field Policies - Fall 2008

It was agreed that Malden **Pop Warner** would take 5 weeks ending September 5, and Melrose the remaining evenings on **RF1** from 6:00 - 8:00. We have them operating through November. This disproportionate allocation is an accommodation to Melrose.

RF1 will be available for scholastic usage on Saturday mornings from 8:00 - 12:00. Usage will be in a weekly rotation commencing September 6 with Malden.

Games will be available in the morning and early afternoon on Columbus Day, Oct 13, and Roshashana Sep 30, and Yom Kippur, Oct 9.

Field SF3 will be available this year.

The difficulty of marking **SF1** for field hockey was discussed, with a concern on unduly marking the turf outfield on the new baseball diamond. The field can be used for field hockey with only the addition of a "striking circle" and this would allow the use of **RF1** for soccer, which is preferred.

RF1 and **SF1** will both be marked for Soccer and Field Hockey.

SF2 and **SF3** will be Soccer only.

The **Mystic Valley Charter School** will be using the outfield portion of **SB2** for football practice commencing on week nights at 8:00 pm.

Commencing August 18, fields **SF2** and **SF3** (both grass fields), and **RF1** will be available for scholastic practice during the day. Malden will scrimmage during the week of August 21 - 29th. The grass fields will not be marked until September 1.

Make up time needs to be available through the fall. We will hold Saturday and Sunday nights for this contingency.

Bus parking will need to be in the lot near the Malden entrance, after which the drivers will reenter the fields by going through the wooded area.

Scholastic use of **LL5** and **LL6** by their respective towns during the day in August is agreeable.

Problems and Issues

The coaches will be asked to avoid park usage (Cross Country) on Labor Day weekend, when there are many picnic users with families.

The coaches and users will be instructed and cautioned against using the fences and back stops as part of batting practice, as it is already degrading the new facilities.

The coaches and users will be instructed and cautioned against dragging goals over the turf fields as some tearing has been identified in the new field surfaces.

The baseball usage in the Spring is broken into four-hour slots. This might seem long, but with late starts and longer games, the idea of shortening the slots for more uses was considered too difficult.