

About the Program

Each year, dozens of Maine children and their families visit a special place in Portland for the first time. The kids range in age from infants to adolescents, but they each have one thing in common: they have been diagnosed with cancer.

The good news is that the overall cure rate for childhood cancer has improved to almost 70%. However, the downside is that cancer treatment is tremendously disruptive for families. The patient needs state-of-the-art medical care, based on up-to-the-minute clinical research. The program provides medical care and psychosocial support services while participating in clinical research activities dedicated to improving upon our current success in treating childhood cancer.

The Maine Children's Cancer Program was created specifically to meet the comprehensive needs of Maine's children with cancer and their families. The program is based in Portland, but serves children from across the state.

The several hundred families who come to the Maine Children's Cancer Program find an upbeat, non-threatening, and very child oriented atmosphere. We have created an environment designed for healing spirits as well as young bodies. The Maine Children's Cancer Program is a special place where Maine children with cancer and their families find support, hope, love, and joy. It is our goal to help make living with childhood cancer a little easier for everyone.

History of the Swish-Out

Founded in 1994, the first Swish-Out had seven teams and raised \$575.00. Over the years, thanks to the support of sponsors, participants and volunteers, the event has grown to become Maine's longest, continuous-running, 3-on-3 co-ed benefit basketball tournament. 100% of all money raised goes directly to children in Maine (and New Hampshire) with cancer and their families.

The Maine Credit Union League and Maine's credit unions have supported this event since 2000, and helped it to grow and blossom into what it is today. The League covers all administrative costs including t-shirts, water bottles, plaques and all other incidentals to ensure that all money raised through sponsorships, entry fees and other contributions go to make an immediate, positive impact where it is needed most – helping children!

Who was Dr. Noel Paradise

In 2005, Jon Paradise, who founded the event, dedicated the Tournament to the memory of his father, Dr. Noel Paradise, after his passing in 2004 at the age of 78.

Thank you for being a part of this special event.



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Maine's longest, continuous
running, 3-on-3 co-ed benefit
basketball tournament

Maine's Credit Unions present:



The **24th**
Annual Co-Ed
Dr. Noel Paradise
Memorial

CU Swish-Out
Childhood Cancer Challenge
& 8th Annual Co-Ed Junior
CU Swish-Out

To benefit the Maine
Children's Cancer Program

Sunday,
January 28, 2018

More than
\$425,000
raised since 1994

**"Because
Helping
Children With
Cancer is A
Slam Dunk!"**



24th Annual Dr. Noel Paradise Memorial CU Swish-Out Co-Ed Childhood Cancer Challenge

Date: Sunday, January 28, 2018
Time: 7:30 A.M. – late afternoon (start times vary by divisions)
Place: Hill Gymnasium, Costello Sports Complex, University of Southern Maine, Gorham Campus
Entry Fee: Adult Division: \$125 per team
 Non-refundable Junior Division: \$75 per team
Benefit: Maine Children's Cancer Program

For more information, contact:
 Jon Paradise, Maine Credit Union League
 773-5671 x273; email: jparadise@mainecul.org

Tournament Information

- All teams must be co-ed, regardless of the division. There are three divisions of adult teams: Elite – the most competitive and is open to a max of 12 teams; Just For Fun Recreation Division – the most popular division and more low-key, limited to 36 teams; and the Forever Young Division – All players must be 40 and older with one exception per team (one player can be under 40). The Junior Tournament has two divisions: Middle School – open to grades 6-8, and 4th and 5th Grade – open to 4th and 5th graders only.
- All teams must consist of three (3) or more players. There is no limit as to the number of players on each team nor on the number of teams you may enter.
- All Adult and Junior teams must consist of at least one member of the opposite sex on the court at all times (no exceptions).
- Each team is required to pay a non-refundable entry fee upon registration (\$125 per team for Adult Divisions; \$75 per team for Junior Divisions).
- All participants will be required to sign a waiver on the day of the tournament.
- All teams will play at least two games. Games are 15 minutes in length or to 15 points, whichever comes first.
- This is a three-on-three, co-ed tournament. Participants in adult divisions must be 16 years of age or older, unless prior authorization, in rare circumstances, from the Tournament Director.

Prizes, Giveaways and More

- The winning team in each division will receive special Championship t-shirts and six tickets to a Red Claws game.
- Plaques will be given to the top four teams in each adult division; the top 2 teams in each Junior Division will receive plaques.
- Team captains receive a pair of Sea Dogs tickets just for entering (does not apply to Junior Divisions).
- Every player will receive a T-shirt and sport bottle.
- Baked goods and refreshments will be sold to benefit MCCC.
- Free admission – bring your family.
- Silent Auction
- And much, much more!

Special Thanks To Our Major Partners:



24th Annual CU Swish-Out Co-Ed Childhood Cancer Challenge

OFFICIAL TEAM ENTRY FORM

Team Name: _____

 Team Captain: _____

 Address: _____

Phone: (H) _____
 Phone: (W) _____
 Email: _____
 Approximate Number of Players: _____

Division (check one)

Elite Division _____
 Just For Fun Recreation Division _____
 Forever Young Division _____

All Forever Young players must be 40 years or older; one age exception allowed per team.

To reserve your spot(s), fax form to 207-773-0957 or email to jparadise@mainecul.org.

Please make checks or money orders payable to the **Maine Children's Cancer Program**.

Please mail entry form and \$125 (non-refundable) entry fee to Jon Paradise, Maine Credit Union League, 2 Ledgeview Drive, Westbook, ME 04092.



8th Annual Junior Co-Ed Swish-Out

OFFICIAL TEAM ENTRY FORM

Each team will play at least two games and a double-elimination format will be used. Same co-ed format and all other Swish-Out rules apply.

STARTING TIME: 8:00 A.M.
ENTRY FEE: \$75 PER TEAM

Team Name: _____

 Team Captain: _____

 Address: _____

Phone: (H) _____
 Phone: (W) _____
 Email: _____
 Approximate Number of Players: _____

Division (check one)

Middle Open (grades 6-8) _____
 4th/5th Grades _____

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