

We are the Champions!

Sebago 5/6 Grade Girls Basketball wins
14-11 vs. Naples

by Recreation Director, Leslie Hayes



In a thrilling day of basketball, Sebago girls team closed out their season with a hard fought 14-11 victory over Naples at the Lake Region Youth Basketball Championships on March 7th. It was a defensive battle, with hardwork on the court by all. On the offensive side, it was a true team victory with four of the six players scoring buckets. Great work, girls! Thank you, to Coach Dave Sheldrick for your time, leadership and dedication to this team. For those of you who haven't already had the chance, check out the March 12, Bridgton News article with full game description, out this week. "Sebagles" team members this season include Helena Sheldrick, Courtney Lopez, Madison Olsen, Mia Letarte, Alicia Fontana,

Riley Young and Emily Novicki.

Adding to the excitement on Saturday, our very own Ryan McKenney, also took home the hardware as part of the winning, Bridgton 5 Grade Boys basketball team. Bridgton defeated Naples, 40-37 in a nail-biting overtime victory. Another true *team win*, with six of the ten players scoring and everyone leaving it all on the court defensively. Great job this season, Ryan. Congratulations, boys!

¾ Girls Basketball was All Heart ♥

The ¾ Grade girls basketball team ended their season with a Round Robin Tournament and 4th Grade Co-Ed All Star game on February 8th at Lake Region High School. It was a season of hugs, high fives and hustle. The level of sportsmanship and teamwork the girls played with each day was inspiring. As a coach, it doesn't get any better than watching one player score and immediately run over to hug the teammate who gave her the pass. Amazing job this season, girls! I can wait to see what next year holds for you! Team members: Cami Fusillo, Mattasyn Dearborn, Kayleigh Phillips, Ellie Brown, Ella Frechette, Kinsley Daigle, Rylan Thorne, Jerry-Lyn Canilou and Jessica Loiselle.



The future looks bright!

Every Wednesday, our smallest competitors rode the school bus to the town hall to hone their basketball skills. They worked on dribbling with the right hand, left hand and crossovers; they learned the bounce pass, chest pass and defensive slides, and

of course the favorites: pinny tag, partner tag and dribbling tag! Each passing week was marked with ever increasing improvement and smiles. We were joined at this level by third graders, Evan Brown and Jayden Fitzgerald. In addition to improving their own skills each session, these boys served as excellent role models to the younger participants.

A special thank you goes out to Coach Kat Harju for taking the helm at both the PreK-2nd and ¾ Girls levels. Thank you for sharing your knowledge and love of basketball with all these aspiring ballers.

To all the Sebago athletes and parents, thank you for an amazing first season as Recreation Director. I hope to see all your smiling faces on the baseball and softball fields this spring; and bring your friends!

Registration is now open for all spring sports. Softball and Quickball registrations are now available online! You can find the link on both the Sebago Recreation Facebook page and the Town of Sebago website. A pdf for SYAA Baseball registration is also available on the Town website and SYAA Facebook page.

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