

The 18th annual AMMA picnic was another big success for the dojo! About one hundred students, friends and family came to Lurker Park in East Hanover for a day of food, fun and games. This was one of the most successful picnics in the dojo's history. Fortunately we had one of the most beautiful days we've seen in this area in weeks.

Special highlights of the day were the three-legged race, and the water balloon toss. The tug-of-war proved an to be one of the popular events, with Shihan Amorosi's team totally destroying Sensei Konner's and Deshi Schildiner's in a best of three battle. The instructors then joined the students, taking on all parents and cruising to an easy victory.

The final games were two softball matches. The first had the students playing with the adults and then the annual AMMA adults only softball game. In that game Shihan's team was victorious 6-3! Of course we must mention the child-junior students who did an outstanding job as cheerleaders during the softball games.

AMMA wishes to extend special thanks to Francesca and Mario LaPolla for all their hard work behind the scenes. Also we would like to extend our thanks to all the parents and students who helped make this one of the best picnics in AMMA history!

We are requesting that any one who took pictures at the picnic, please send them to us ASAP. We would like to post them on our website in a timely manor. It would be greatly appreciated.