

TENNESSEE ASA SOFTBALL DISTRICT 10



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THE INSIDE PITCH

ASA District 10 **Jan/Feb/March** Newsletter

www.chattanoogaasa.com

Sign up for Chattanooga ASA Spring Tournaments on our website. All tournaments will be held at Warner Park or The Summit.

On March 1st my new email address will be:

swaffordhome@epbfi.com

CHATTANOOGA ASA TOURNAMENT DATES FOR 2011 IN CHATTANOOGA:

ASA Early Bird 6 Game Friendly	March 12-13, 2011	Warner Park	\$235 8U FREE
ASA Queen of Diamonds	March 18th-20th	Warner Park	\$250 8U FREE
ASA Diamond Classic "B" Only	April 2 nd -3 rd	The Summit	\$225 8U FREE
ASA Spring Swing (10U/12U National Qualifier for TN teams)	April 15th-17th	Warner Park	\$200 8U FREE
ASA April Classic (12U HOF Qualifier)	April 30 th - May 1 st	Warner Park	\$175 8U FREE
ASA Play for the Cure (for the Susan G. Komen Foundation)	May 13th-15th	The Summit	\$235 8U \$50
ASA Memorial Qualifier (TN teams)	June 3rd - 5th	Warner Park	TBA
ASA June Qualifier for 14/16/18 (TN)	June 10 th - 13 th	Athens, TN	\$300
ASA Scenic City 16's Showcase	June 16th-19th	Warner Park	TBA
ASA State Tournament	July 8th-10th	Warner Park	\$200
ASA 16U ASA/USA Nationals	July 31st - August 7th	Warner/Summit	\$400
ASA Middle School Tournament	Sept. 9th-10th	Warner Park	\$100
ASA Fall Brawl	October 21st-23rd	Warner Park	\$235 8U FREE
ASA Halloween Havoc	October 28th-30th	The Summit	\$200 8U FREE

For more information and registration:
Sign up at www.chattanoogasa.com.

ASA Rule and Code changes may be reviewed at www.asasoftball.com.

2012 ASA National Tournament Sites Awarded at ASA Council Meeting:

10U – Bloomington, IN

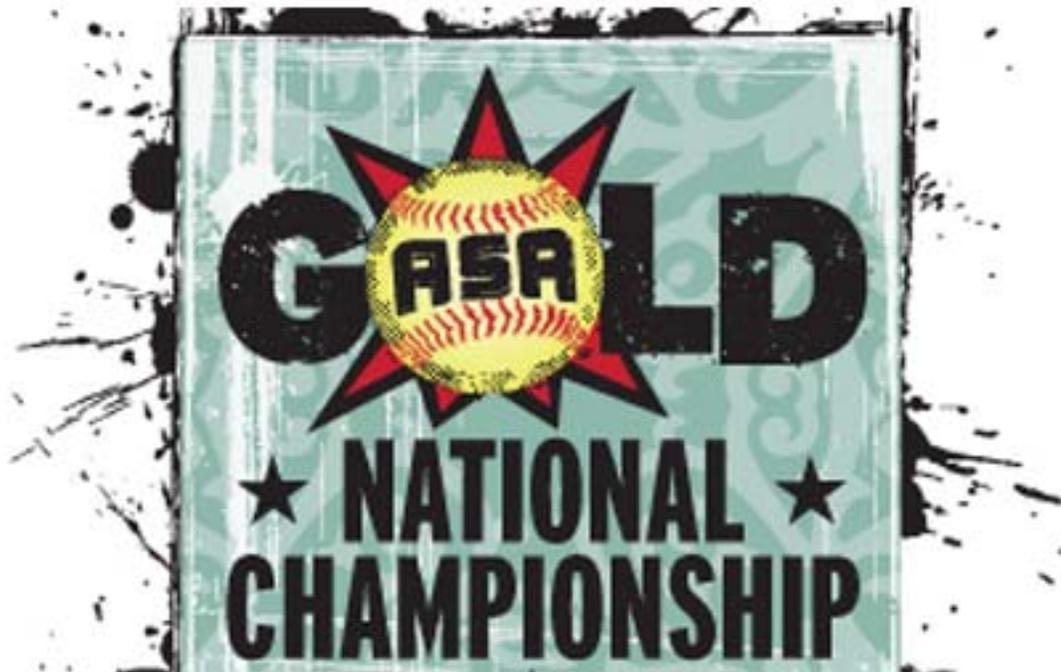
12U – Moline, IL

14U – Sioux Falls, SD

16U – Montgomery, AL

18U – Johnson City, TN

18 Gold – Oklahoma City, OK



San Diego, California

July 24th - 30th, 2011

SOUTHERN TERRITORY 18 GOLD QUALIFIER – JUNE 10TH -12TH MARRIETTA GA – CONTACT IS KATIE KAY. KKASA@BELLSOUTH.NET

SOUTH ATLANTIC REGION QUALIFIER – JUNE 3RD – 5TH CARY, NC. CONTACT IS RICK MCHONE. RICMCHONE@NETZERO.NET.

Congratulations to all the juniors and seniors from Tennessee who have verbally committed or have signed college softball scholarships in 2010-2011.



SAVING SECOND BASE – a softball blog

The ball calls and emails have been coming in rapidly lately so I have tried to keep a list of all questions to date. Here is a compilation and I hope you find it helpful:

1) What type of insurance does ASA offer?

Before you buy team insurance through your league, please keep in mind that ASA individual on line registration includes individual insurance for each player and coach and a picture i.d. card. The cost is \$16 per player. ASA on line registration can be done at www.registerasa.com. Teams participating in an ASA National Qualifier must be registered on line with ASA. Teams must sign in at all ASA Qualifiers and show picture i.d. cards.

2) Can you help me with my ASA on line registration?

Yes, just call me and we can set up a time when we are both in front of our computers and I can walk you through the process.

3) When does a player become locked to a roster?

A player becomes locked to a roster when she signs in at an ASA Qualifier. That player may not play in another qualifier or a National with any other team. Exception: Players on teams/rosters that are no longer eligible for Championship play, may be picked up by another team and may participate in ASA Nationals.

4) Did ASA move the pitching distance to 43 feet in 14U?

No, 14U pitching distance is still 40 feet in ASA.

5) If a player quits her team, does she still have insurance and is ASA insurance good if you play in another organization's tournament? ASA insurance is individual insurance and goes with the player not with the team. ASA insurance is good for any softball event in which a player participates.

6) How do you qualify for 16U ASA 2011 Nationals which be held in Chattanooga, TN on August 1st – 7th?

Teams must qualify by winning an ASA Qualifier and being awarded a berth. Tennessee has 4 berths to award. There are two Region 4 berths. No, there are not 10 host berths for Tennessee teams.

7) Where are 10U ASA Nationals?

10U ASA Nationals will be held in Johnson City, TN on August 1st- 7th.

8) Where are the Tennessee Qualifiers this year?

The dates for all ASA Qualifiers including the ASA State are listed on my website at www.chattanoogaasa.com.

That is about as straightforward, non-sarcastic and stoic as I can be. If you have other questions or comments, please feel free to give me a ball call or send an email.

If you would like to order Anaconda/Trump softballs in either 11 inch or 12 inch, please contact me asap. The cost is \$42 per dozen. This will be the official softball used at both ASA 16U and ASA 10U Nationals.

ASA District 10 Website and Tennessee ASA Website and 2010 Registration:

The ASA District 10 website is located at www.chattanoogaasa.com and the Tennessee ASA website is now located at www.tennesseeasa.clubspaces.com.

ASA 2011 NATIONAL SITES FOR ALL A AGE GROUPS:

10U ASA/USA "A" NATIONALS –Johnson City, TN

12U ASA/USA "A" Nationals – Montgomery, AL

14U ASA/USA "A" Nationals – Midland, TX

16U ASA/USA "A" Nationals – Chattanooga, TN

18U ASA/USA "A" Nationals – Normal, IL

18U Gold Nationals – Irvine, CA

ASA INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION PROGRAM:

Changes and improvements are being made to Register ASA and it is up and running. You can get to register ASA by clicking on the link at www.chattanoogaasa.com.

What is individual registration?

Individual registration is a way for ASA/USA Softball to provide accident and liability insurance for all participants in the Junior Olympic program. This is accomplished by registering individually each participant in the program including coaches, managers and score keepers.

Do we have to do the individual registration?

Yes, ASA requires all travel teams to complete the individual registration if they plan to compete in ASA Championship Play. However, if you do not have access to a computer or are afraid to sit in front of one, I will do the individual registration for you if you will send in the information required. Please contact me and I will forward a form that can be filled out by hand.

The biggest positive for individual registration program is the convenience of the cards and the fact that since the insurance is for each individual, it goes with the player and not with the team. Another advantage is the registration does not have to be redone every year except to the extent that players change.

How hard is it to do the individual registration process?

It is a painless process that merely requires internet access and a digital camera. There ASA website now contains an easy to follow instruction page. Just click on Player I.D. Cards and Info About Player I.D. Cards and follow the instructions. The cost is \$16.00 per player and this includes insurance.

LEAGUE REGISTRATION with ASA

As always, recreational leagues will continue to be able to register with ASA at a cost of \$15.00 per team in exchange for which the league will receive sanction cards, scorebooks and ASA Rulebooks. After league sign ups are complete and teams are drawn, please contact me regarding the ASA paperwork and getting ASA rulebooks.

EMAIL ADDRESSES:

If you know of any other coaches that would like to receive ASA updates, please forward their email address to me.

BEST,

**Kim Swafford
TN ASA District 10 Commissioner**