

2010 ShopRite® Nutmeg State Games Fast Pitch Softball Tournament

Dates:

July 31st & August 1st, 2010

Location:

Sage Park, Berlin, CT
Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, CT

Showcase:

The College Showcases of America Softball Video Showcase will be held on Friday, July 30th, from 9:00AM to 2:30PM at Central CT State University in New Britain, CT. This showcase will be filmed and each participant will receive a copy of all their certified individual results along with video proof. Participants will receive an evaluation of all their individual skills from the College Showcases of America staff & Collegiate coaching staff.

For more information please call Dan Hammond at 203-214-8720.

Format:

Round Robin / Pool Play format with a minimum 4 Game Guarantee.

AGE DIVISIONS:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Roster Maximum</u>	<u>Age Cut Off</u>
16 & Under	Intermediate	16	01/01/10
18 & Under	Scholastic	16	01/01/10

Forfeiture Policy: Due to the fact that all competition brackets are ROUND ROBIN formats, a team may not intentionally forfeit a contest; even though the game may have no consequence on the seeding of the tournament at the conclusion of round robin play. Any team intentionally forfeiting a contest will be disqualified from further competition and the remaining teams will be re-seeded.

RULES

PONY SOFTBALL RULES

Games are 7 innings or 1 ½ hour, which ever occurs first.

8 Run Mercy Rule after 5 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings, 12 runs after 3 innings.

There is a time limit on all Games except SEMI-FINALS & FINALs.

International Tie Breaker will be used after the 7th inning if time permits.

A Coin Toss will determine home team during pool play; higher seed will be home team during elimination round.

Pool games can end in a tie. 2 points for a win and 1 point for a tie.

TIE BREAKERS:

1st- Wins

2nd- Least Runs Allowed

3rd- Runs scored

4th- Coin Toss

IN case of rain Saturday, seeding for Sunday will be drawn at random. In case of rain on Sunday when no games can be played, Saturday's results will determine a champion.

If all games are played on Sunday except the Finals the higher seed of the 2 teams from Saturday will be declared the Champion. If only 1 round completed on Sunday, we will use the Saturday seeding to determine a champion.

Winning Team is required to report scores to the scorers table.

Any coach or player ejected will be disqualified from further play.

All softball are to be returned to umpires.

All coaches are responsible for assuring that all players are properly equipped.
Teams are to provide their own practice balls.
Teams will be allowed a maximum of 16 players, two coaches and one scorekeeper for credentials and awards.

TEAM SPORT INFO

Athletes will be given a Nutmeg State Games non-numbered souvenir t-shirt. Teams will be allowed to wear their own (numbered) uniforms / jerseys for the tournament.

No schedule accommodations will be made for teams participating in another tournament while playing in the Nutmeg State Games.

Any player whose age is challenged and the Coach **cannot** produce proof of age, said player will be declared ineligible for that game!

Nutmeg State Games Coaches are required to have with them at all games the following information: full team roster & copies of proof of age for all players on the team's roster.

FIFTY percent (50%) of a team's competitors must be comprised of athletes from one region (North, South, East, West) Please see Region Breakdown for further information.

Please designate your team's name on all appropriate forms; if no name is given one will be assigned to you by the Nutmeg State Games administration.

Athletes who wish to play up in a division (play in an older age group than their age at the time of the tournament) will be allowed to do so. Athletes are not allowed to play down into a younger age group.

Ice & Water

Teams will be responsible for providing their own ICE & Water during the 2010 Nutmeg State Games!

OPENING CEREMONIES:

*****Attendance is mandatory for all Nutmeg State Games Athletes**

Saturday, July 24th 2010 – Veteran's Memorial Stadium, New Britain, CT

The Opening Ceremonies will begin as athletes from across the state participate in the traditional Parade of Athletes. Other special festivities will lead to the lighting of the ceremonial flame in true Olympic fashion, as the Nutmeg State Games are declared officially open.

New Britain Rock Cats Game – 2:35 PM

The Fan Fest: 5:00 PM

Opening Ceremonies: 7:15 PM

Opening Ceremonies Ticket Prices:

Adults - \$6.00, Senior (55+) or Child (12 & Under) - \$4.00

Tickets for Opening Ceremonies will be sold at the day of Opening Ceremonies ONLY! Tickets cannot be purchased prior to the day of the event.

Nutmeg State Games Office Contact Info

New Britain Alternative Center

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DIRECTIONS:

Central Connecticut State University

1615 Stanley Street

New Britain, CT 06050

<http://www.ccsu.edu/>

From the North (Massachusetts)

Take 91 South to 84 West to Exit 39A, to Rte. 9 South.

Get off Exit 29 and take a right at the end of the exit ramp onto Ella T. Grasso Boulevard. At the third traffic light, take a left into the Student Center Parking Lot and feel free to park in the garage in the event of inclement weather.

From the Southwest (Stamford/New Haven)

Take 95 North to 91 North to Exit 22 North, to Rte. 9 North. Follow Rte. 9 North and take Exit 29, Rte. 175.

At the traffic light at the end of the exit ramp, go straight and follow Fenn Road to the second traffic light, and take a left turn onto Ella T. Grasso Boulevard.

At the fourth traffic light, take a left into the Student Center Parking Lot and feel free to park in the garage in the event of inclement weather.

From the Southeast (Groton/New London)

Take 95 South to Rte. 9 North to Exit 29, Rte. 175.

At the traffic light at the end of the exit ramp, go straight and follow Fenn Road to the second traffic light, and take a left turn onto Ella T. Grasso Boulevard.

At the fourth traffic light, take a left into the Student Center Parking Lot and feel free to park in the garage in the event of inclement weather.

From the East (Hartford)

Take 84 West to Exit 39A, to Rte. 9 South.

Get off Exit 29 and take a right at the end of the exit ramp onto Ella T. Grasso Boulevard.

At the third traffic light, take a left into the Student Center Parking Lot and feel free to park in the garage in cases of inclement weather.

From the West (Danbury/Waterbury)

Take 84 East to Exit 39A, to Rte. 9 South.

Get off Exit 29 and take a right at the end of the exit ramp onto Ella T. Grasso Boulevard.

At the third traffic light, take a left into the Student Center Parking Lot and feel free to park in the garage in the event of inclement weather.

Sage Park - Berlin, CT

<http://www.region1.com/Maps/sage.pdf>

I-91 North or South to Route 15 (Berlin Turnpike):

Sage Park is located on the east side (northbound lane) of the Berlin Turnpike approximately 1.2 miles south of its intersection with Route 9 (by Micky Finn's). If you have traveling southbound, make the turnaround when you see the fire station on your left after passing the Sage Park entrance sign.

I-91 South (Exit 22) to Route 9 north:

Take exit 22 off of Route 9 North, Mill Street, and proceed to the traffic light at the end of the ramp and turn right. At the next light, turn right, passing under Route 9 and following Worthington Ridge. Stay on Worthington Ridge until its end at the intersection with the Berlin Turnpike. At this light, turn left; Sage Park will be on the right approximately 2/10 of a mile.

I-84 West to Route 9 South:

Take exit 22, Mill Street, and proceed to the traffic light at the end of the ramp and turn right onto Worthington Ridge. Stay on Worthington Ridge until its end at the intersection with the Berlin Turnpike. At this light, turn left; Sage Park will be on the right approximately 2/10 of a mile.