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CHAMPIONS ARE MADE WHEN NO ONE IS LOOKING

Poster available at SOFTBALL OUTLET Your 24/7 Softball Source
Hello softball fans, thank you for reading this issue of Balls and Strikes magazine. The next few months are the most exciting time of the year for our organization. Teams across the country are entering the heart of their seasons and some have already begun preparations for Championship play. Tournament organizers are putting the finishing touches on their plans as they get ready to host ASA National Championships. Our USA National Teams are also coming together as they get ready to represent the USA at international competitions around the globe. Whether you’re a player, coach, umpire or tournament organizer, good luck this season and enjoy it!

ASA/USA National Championship qualifying tournaments are currently taking place across the country. These National Championships include the highest level of competition in the game and are the pinnacle of our youth programs. As you prepare for championship play, please make sure all of the paperwork is completed properly and submitted to the host on time as it will make for an easier experience for your team when you arrive to the event. ASA has a great tournament program and it is because our coaches, players, Commissioners and Junior Olympic Commissioners taking the time to manage it correctly.

The 2013 Women’s College World Series (WCWS) recently came to another successful close at ASA Hall of Fame Complex in Oklahoma City, the National Headquarters of the Amateur Softball Association. The Sooners of Oklahoma captured the title defeating Tennessee in the best of three championship series.

Following the WCWS, the ASA Hall of Fame welcomed 32 athletes for the USA Women’s National Team selection camp June 10-12. The 2013 squad is stocked with talented athletes who will look to defend their World Cup of Softball Gold from last year in Oklahoma City, July 11-14. Following the World Cup, the team will travel to Surrey, B.C. for the Canadian Open Fastpitch Championships and then on to Puerto Rico in August for an International Softball Federation (ISF) World Championship/Pan American Games qualifier. Check out www.USASoftball.com for all of the latest details on the Women’s National Team.

The 2013 USA Softball Junior Women’s National Team is also currently on the road to Brampton, Ontario, Canada to compete in the 2013 ISF Junior Women’s World Championship. Team USA took home the Gold in 2011 at the last World’s and they’re primed to make a run again this year.

The 2013 Men’s Slow Pitch National Team will also return to Oklahoma City later this month for the fifth annual Border Battle with the Canadian National Team. In addition to the Border Battle, the USA Men’s Slow Pitch Futures National Team will also return to Oklahoma City on July 11 to face the USA Men’s Slow Pitch National Team in the second annual Slow Pitch Showdown.

Good luck to all of our National Teams as well as the many youth teams competing all over the US in the coming months. Thanks so much for making the ASA the best softball organization in the world!

E.T. Colvin, President
Amateur Softball Association of America
**THE LEAD OFF:**

Two teams compete at the ASA 12-Under Hall of Fame Qualifier in early June. Bleachers from the Women’s College World Series are being dismantled in the background.
THE LEAD OFF:

In the midst of celebrating their Women’s College World Series Championship, members of the Oklahoma Sooners softball team hold up a blue cutout of the state of Oklahoma with the word HOME written across it in honor of the victims of May’s tornados.
Every year, the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) of America has 365,000 Junior Olympic (JO) athletes playing on more than 78,000 teams while over 1 million adults play on nearly 106,000 teams across the United States. Meet Michaela, Allyson, Hailey and Jasmine, four of the athletes who play ASA fast pitch.

MICHAELA KATHRYN HOOD, 15
Las Vegas, Nevada
Las Vegas Blast
Girls’ 16-Under Fast Pitch
1st Base

FAVORITE THING ABOUT SOFTBALL
Being a part of a team that sets high goals and puts maximum effort into reaching those goals.

GOAL My goal is to play for a national championship and to play for the USA when softball is back in the Olympics.

BIGGEST ACCOMPLISHMENT Winning five games in one day in St George, Utah while on the mound for "Las Vegas Blast" 14U.

TOUGHEST OBSTACLES The toughest obstacle I’ve had to overcome has been staying focused on my goals while other things in life have thrown me seemingly unhittable curves.

HAILEY WOMER, 12
Roxbury, New Jersey
Finch’s Aces
Girls’ 14-Under Fast Pitch
Catcher / 1st Base

FAVORITE THING ABOUT SOFTBALL
Traveling with my team and enjoying time with my teammates both on and off the field.

GOAL My goal is to raise my game at every level. Ultimately I want to play in college and at the international level.

TOUGHEST OBSTACLE It was tough for me to learn how to slide after fracturing my tailbone. I overcame my fear and now I slide all the time.

ROLE MODELS My role model is Jennie Finch. Jennie is a great role model because she demonstrates great sportsmanship in the game. My team and I get to see her several times a year and she is always so positive! My other role models are my coaches. They are women who played softball at the college level and had successful softball careers.
ALLYSON JONES, 10
McKinney, Texas
TNT
Girls’ 12-Under Fast Pitch
Catcher / Pitcher / 3rd Base

HER START I began playing at six years old for an 8-Under team, then at seven years old I started pitching for my 10-Under team.

FAVORITE THING ABOUT SOFTBALL As a catcher, I love to make a good frame for a pitch & picking off runners off base who take too big of a lead. When pitching I enjoy a well placed strike that gets an out. But the best part is when the whole team is playing well, fielding good, turning double plays or batting around the lineup on offense. That's the most fun.

GOAL I want to play for Oklahoma University in college and then play for Team USA. Afterwards I would like to coach and help others the way my father helped coach me.

BIGGEST ACCOMPLISHMENT Becoming the catcher for the 12-Under team while being significantly younger and smaller than the others and picking runners off 3rd base who take too big of a lead. The better the player the longer the lead they take so I get to compete vs. the best 12 year old players. I feel good every time I help our team by getting a pickoff or stopping a steal.

JASMINE MOTT, 10
Point, Texas
Texas Glory 2020
Girls’ 10-Under Fast Pitch
Pitcher / Utility

BEST EXPERIENCE Getting the opportunity to play in ASA Hall of Fame stadium last year in the Hall of Fame Qualifier.

PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT How far I have come in this sport in a short amount of time.

TOUGHEST OBSTACLE Learning that hard work and dedication makes me better.

ROLE MODELS Jackie Traina, Jenny Fench and Norrelle Dickson.
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ASA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2013 ASA/USA GIRLS’ NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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2013 ASA SLOW PITCH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS RELOCATED

The 2013 ASA Adult Slow Pitch Championships in Men’s Class A, Men’s Class B, Men’s C & D and Women’s Open, originally scheduled to take place in Oklahoma City, will be moved to a new location due to potential renovations at the ASA Hall of Fame Complex.

The new locations and dates for the National Championships are:
- Men’s Class A (September 26-29) - Ridgeland, Miss.
- Men’s Class B (August 16-18) - Andover, Minn.
- Men’s Class C (August 30-September 2) - Liberty, Mo.
- Men’s Class D & Women’s Open presented by Worth (September 26-29) - Ridgeland, Miss.

This marks the first time since 2001 that the Adult Slow Pitch Championship Series has not been held in Oklahoma City. For a full list of 2013 National Championships click here.
NORTHERN CAL ASA MEMBERS CELEBRATE ASA’S 80TH ANNIVERSARY

Nor Cal ASA supporting ASA’s 80th anniversary at AT&T Park watching the World Champions San Francisco Giants beat the Philadelphia Phillies 4-3. Over 100 staff members came out for a great day of baseball and a free ASA 80th Anniversary T-Shirt.

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL MAKE THE SHORTLIST FOR 2020 GAMES

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) announced in May the three sports ‘shortlisted’ for inclusion in the programme for the 2020 Olympics. Along with Baseball-Softball, wrestling and squash were selected as finalists.

The three sports will now turn their sights towards the final IOC vote in September where one will be selected to join the current list of 27 sports already on the bill for 2020.

“The Executive Board received excellent presentations today from 8 International Federations,” said IOC President Jacques Rogge. “It was never going to be an easy decision, but I feel my colleagues on the Board made a good decision in selecting baseball-softball, squash and wrestling to be put forward in Buenos Aires. I wish the 3 shortlisted sports the best of luck in the run up to the vote in September.”

APPLICATIONS SOUGHT FOR MEN’S NATIONAL TEAM COACHING POOL

The ASA is currently accepting applications from fast pitch coaches for the coaching pool for the USA Softball Men’s Fast Pitch National Team. Selected coaches will join the coaching pool for the next four years (2013-2016).

The USA Softball Men’s National Team Selection Committee will select a coaches’ pool plus name a head coach from the new pool. The head coach will become a member of the Men’s National Team Selection Committee which will select each year’s National Team and assistant coaches. Pool coaches will be required to participate in international events, player evaluations, selection camps and other specified events as part of the evaluation process. Coaches will work under the direction of the head coach and USA Softball Men’s National Team Director Ronnie Isham.

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4/28 | S. PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL | DOUGLASVILLE, GA

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5/5 | OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY | OKLAHOMA CITY, OK
5/5 | FATHER RYAN HIGH SCHOOL | NASHVILLE, TN
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5/19 | MISSOURI BAPTIST UNIVERSITY | SAINT LOUIS, MO
5/19 | LIMESTONE COLLEGE | GAFFNEY, SC

JUNE
6/9 | BURKETT SPORTS COMPLEX | PITTSBURGH, PA
6/11 | WILLOW LANE ATHLETIC COMPLEX | BOISE, ID
6/12 | HEWITT-TRUSSVILLE HS | TRUSSVILLE, AL
6/16 | COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES | GOLDEN, CO
6/17 | BROOKSIDE WEST PARK | ASHLAND, OH
6/20 | TWIN LAKES PARK | BLOOMINGTON, IN

JULY
7/10 | WINSLOW PARK | WARWICK, RI
7/16 | UNIVERSITY OF DALLAS | IRVING, TX
7/23 | BRANTT QUIRK PARK | WATERTOWN, WI

AUGUST
8/6 | DEEP RUN HIGH SCHOOL | GLEN ALLEN, VA
ADDITIONAL EVENTS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN:
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SEPTEMBER
9/22 | ELLA MAE POWER PARK | NOVI, MI
ADDITIONAL EVENTS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN:
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Previous year’s ASA/USA Girls' 18-Under GOLD Fast Pitch National Championship Finals (8)
Previous year’s ASA Girls' 18-Under GOLD Fast Pitch National Championship Finals Champions:
Western (1), Eastern (1), Northern (1), Southern (1)

REGIONAL BERTHS BASED ON PREVIOUS YEAR’S GOLD REGISTRATIONS:
Region with the highest registrations: Region 7 (5)
Region with the second highest registrations: Region 14 (5)
Region with the third highest registrations: Region 15 (1)
Region with the fourth highest registrations: Region 6 (1)
Region with the fifth highest registrations: Region 5 (1)
Region with the sixth highest registrations: Region 3 (1)
Region with the seventh highest registrations: Region 4 (1)

TERRITORY BERTHS BASED ON PREVIOUS YEAR’S GOLD REGISTRATIONS:
Territory with the highest registrations: Southern (12)
Territory with the second highest registrations: Western (12)
Territory with the third highest registrations: Northern (4)
Territory with the fourth highest registrations: Eastern (4)
Maximum Possible Number of Teams: 76^^

2012 ASA/USA GIRLS’ GOLD 18-UNDER FAST PITCH
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

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ASA/USA SOFTBALL LAUNCHES NEW AND IMPROVED USASOFTBALL.COM WEBSITE

The National Governing Body of Softball in the United States recently launched a brand new USASoftball.com. The complete redesign, which falls under the platform of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), offers a unique experience for visitors and fans of USA Softball.
The redesigned site features news stories about USA Softball National Teams, past and present, photo galleries, athlete bios and history of the program including all-time rosters of teams that complete in the Olympics, Pan American Games and World Championships. The site is also home to stats, game results and future event information for all the teams that take the field for the Red, White and Blue.

Featured navigation titles include an ABOUT section detailing information about the NGB as well as contacts, frequently asked questions and the process to be selected to a USA Softball National team. In addition, the COLLEGE CORNER title dates back to the early days of the ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25 poll with information from 2006 and beyond including weekly poll listings, former Player of the Week honorees, and how the Top 25 Division I Collegiate teams perform each week.

“We were thrilled to launch this new look and facelift for the ASA/USA Softball brand and image,” said ASA/USA Softball Executive Director Ron Radigonda. “As we continue to develop and learn more about the platform, we are anxious to provide a very user-friendly experience to our fans and audience on USASoftball.com”

A RESOURCES center is available as well for usasoftball.com users with information from partner Liberty Mutual Responsible Sports that provides tools, resources, tips and advice you need to help youth athletes experience the best that youth sports have to offer.

The user can browse the SHOP center to take home Team USA and generic softball apparel while also learning about SPONSORS and the up and coming USA Softball LEGACY Club driven from memberships. The PLAY ASA center describes the assets of registering ASA and the benefits including equipment testing and insurance.

Stay tuned for more information regarding event streaming through this new site and be sure to bookmark it to follow all USA teams (Women, Men, Junior Women, Junior Men and Slow Pitch National Teams) throughout the entire season.

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Calling it’s mine
Defending the hot shot
Hit right down the line

Coach barking orders
Go, stay, or round
The finer points
Of bunting it down

Medals, awards
Trophies the prize
My stats were sure
To open their eyes

Now I stand here alone
To remember the days
My bat has gone silent
Packed it away

Dirty old cleats
Held together by tape
That dirty old glove
But still in good shape

My uniform hangs
In the closet with care
Hard to believe
Not again will I wear

Why did I do this
Drove for hours it seems
To play a game
Against so many teams

Was it the medals
Was it the praise
Couldn’t have been
The fortune and fame

The trophies, awards
Everything that I got
The stats and the scores
Long since forgot

Is that why I played
Well, that’s what I thought
Looking back now
That’s not what he taught

My heart tells me why
My heart tells me true
Reminds me of something
I already knew

The on field chitter
The dugout chats
The coach calling me
Who’s up to bat

Playing catch with my friends
Taking grounders from coach
Those timely pep talks
I think I miss most

A pat on the back
A smile and a wink
He cared about me
Like a daughter I think

It’s the memories and friends
Time shared as one
For it is a game
That’s meant to be fun

In the end
When the cheers and chants fade
Why did I do this?
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The “Bright Light Award” honors an ASA registered Junior Olympic (JO) team who has shown a commitment to the community through service and volunteerism. The first of its kind, the “Bright Light Award” process includes an application form with detailed specifics for consideration.

The award winning team will receive $2,000 towards registration fees for any 2013 ASA sanctioned tournament in the United States. The winners will also be honored with 20 “Bright Light” T-shirts for their roster and staff as well as a banner for display. The award presentation will take place on Sunday, November 10, 2013 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at the ASA Annual Meeting Opening Session. (Winning team will receive one hotel room for two nights; must pay own travel costs.)

“This award is a way to recognize and give back to ASA Junior Olympic teams that are involved in the community and take time as a team to help others,” said ASA Executive Director Ron Radigonda. “We are thrilled to work with Musco, our official lighting partner, on this project to give back to the teams who make ASA shine everyday both on and off the field of play.”

The winning team will be selected by a panel of administrators from ASA and Musco, using the following criteria for evaluation:

- Service must be 100% volunteer in nature (no payment)
- Service must be performed as a team with 75% of the roster in attendance
- Team must be ASA Registered by August 31, 2013
- Service must take place from January 1, 2013 to August 31, 2013
- Panel will take into consideration the following: Positive effect on community, number of people affected, impact of service to the team, total number of hours and participants

The deadline for submission is August 31, 2013, and the winning team will be announced on September 13. Applications must be submitted via email or mail to Julie Bartel at jbartel@softball.org or ASA National Office, 2801 N.E. 50th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73111, and must be received by August 31, 2012.

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JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICK-AM, Hawaii -- A passion for military service members and softball has been matrimonially joined in life for a retired Airman.

During a weeklong event in early January, Stan Finch, 647th Logistics Readiness Squadron air terminal operations, led efforts to bring the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team to Hawaii to showcase their skills on the diamond and their courage in the face of extreme life adversity proved to be a successful venture.

“If I had to sum Stan up in one word, it would be ‘genuine,’” said Nick Clark, WWAST outfielder and former Army Soldier. “The man has a heart of gold, and loves his military brethren to no end. Having a guy like Stan heading those events was extra special for us because we knew it was extra special for him. Stan really is ‘the man.”’

The WWAST, a two-year-old program, represents veterans of Operations Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom who have sustained severe injuries resulting in amputations while serving in the military. Through extensive rehabilitation, they have become competitive athletes traveling the country to raise awareness through exhibition and celebrity softball games. Their mission, based on their sacrifices, is to display the resilience of military service and highlight their ability to rise above any challenge. Their goal is to show other amputees and the general population these athletes are able to express their desires and perform the sport they love.

Finch found the WWAST one night while surfing the internet tucked into his recliner after a night of umpiring. In his life away from the military, Finch was appointed three years ago as the Hawaii State Amateur Softball of America umpire chief. He is also a National Collegiate Athletic Association Division-1 umpire for Mountain West Conference at the University of Hawaii and the Division-2 umpire for the Pacific West Conference with Hawaii Pacific University.
“I noticed these guys who had amputations playing softball, and injuries like that could cause a great deal of strife on you,” Finch said. “I wanted to reach out to them and decided to call the coach.”

Honestly not expecting anyone to answer the phone, Finch was not prepared to talk to the head coach on his first attempt. After an awkward, back-and-forth exchange of several hellos, the courtship began for the WWAST and their trip to Hawaii.

“It was simply remarkable the amount of time and effort Stan put into our trip to make sure every detail was addressed properly,” said David Van Sleet, WWAST head coach. “He is a man who set aside his personal life during our visit in order for everyone on our team to thoroughly enjoy a week in paradise.”

Finch’s romantic idea in bringing the team to Hawaii holds a close place in his heart. Having deployed to Iraq, Bosnia and Somalia during his military career, he has experienced situations with comrades in similar situations.

“I understand what it takes to give to your country,” he said. “We say ‘sacrifice’ all the time, when these guys have actually sacrifice a leg, an arm, a hand, both legs, or a shoulder.”

Even Finch’s brother was a Soldier in the U.S. Army who faced adversity, and while stationed at Ft. Bragg in 1991, he committed suicide.

“I’ve been in those situations where things are getting a hairy and you don’t know what is going to happen,” Finch said. “I related to them though my military career, and coupled with my brother, I realized how fortunate I am. Ever since then, I’ve tried to be aware of service members struggles and give back.”

In feeling an immediate connection with the coach, he set out on a personal mission to recognize the team, to recognize the military stationed in Hawaii and to recognize the local community for all their support throughout the years.

“I love softball, but they live it,” he said. “And for most of these guys, it seemed like life was taken from them at one point or another. Softball gave them their life back. I think the world of all of them.”

A partnership was born. And through a series of ups and downs in attempts to raise the money to get the team to Hawaii, the dates were set.

“These guys are probably the most humble, entertaining and driven guys I’ve ever been around,” Finch said. “I feel there was a higher power involved in getting these guys here. It was an answer to prayer.”

While on island, the team played six games during a five day period, the most they had ever done in one stretch. Finch was in tow and working ahead of them to make sure all arrangements were in place.

“I would have done anything, even given my last dime to make these guys happy,” he said. “To be around them and toss batting practice to them is the highlight of my softball career. They are true heroes.”
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Keilani Ricketts solidified herself as one of the best college softball players in the history of the game by winning her second consecutive USA Softball Player of the Year award and leading the Oklahoma Sooners to the 2013 National Championship. ASA/USA Softball Executive Director Ron Radigonda presented Keilani with the award during the Women’s College World Series team banquet. Along with Ricketts, Oklahoma sophomore Lauren Chamberlain and Tennessee senior Raven Chavanne were the three finalists for the award.

“First I want to say congratulations to both Raven and Lauren,” said Ricketts. “Those girls have had insane seasons this year. I also want to thank my teammates and coaches for helping me win this award. There’s no way I could have done it without them. Thank you to the voters and ASA/USA Softball for this honor.”

Ricketts joins the ranks of Cat Osterman (2003, 2005 and 2006) and Danielle Lawrie (2009 and 2010) as the only multiple USA Softball National Collegiate Player of the Year honorees.

“I’m really happy for Keilani. She has worked really hard throughout this season,” said Oklahoma Head Coach Patty Gasso. “I’m also proud of Coach Lombardi and Coach Mackay, our assistant coaches, who have both worked really diligently to help Keilani throughout the season. It’s hard when you have expectations on you so heavily coming into a season and she has handled it very well. She’s very deserving of this award as were all of the finalists.”

The USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year award is voted on by coaching representatives from 11 Division I Conferences in the 15 ASA Regions as well as members of the media who consistently cover Division I Softball across the country, and previous Player of the Year recipients. Other past winners of this award include UCLA’s Stacey Nuveman, Florida State’s Jessica Van der Linden, Tennessee’s Monica Abbott, Virginia Tech’s Angela Tincher, and 2011 winner Ashley Hansen from Stanford.
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ASA/USA Softball Celebrates 80 years of history

From its humble beginnings, the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) of America and USA Softball has become one of the nation’s leading sports organizations. As the association celebrates its past 80 years in 2013, numerous individuals have helped make ASA/USA Softball the nation’s foremost softball organization. Here, we salute those who played a vital role in the first three decades of ASA/USA Softball’s history.

The 1960s

**Milestones:** In 1965, Oklahoma City was named the new ASA National headquarters. Also, the first International Softball Federation (ISF) Women’s World Championship was held in Melbourne, Australia with the U.S. taking second place. The first ISF Men’s World Championship was held the following year in Mexico City, Mexico with the U.S. winning the title.

**Great Players of the Era:** During Joan Joyce’s career with the Orange Lionettes and the Raybestos Brakettes, she was named to 18 consecutive ASA All-American teams. She was also named National Tournament MVP eight times. Her 507-33 record included 126 no-hitters. Weldon Haney of the Clearwater Bombers was National Tournament MVP in 1962, ’63 and ’68. In the 1968 National Championship, Haney became only the second man in history to pitch a perfect game in an ASA Men’s Major Fast Pitch National Championship. Jim Galloway played slow pitch from 1946-80 and was named to eight All-American teams. He led the 1966 Nationals in home runs with 11. In 10 National Championships, he hit 74 homeruns and drove in 162 runs. In 1968, he was a National Championship with County Sports.

**Teams to Remember:** In women’s slow pitch, Dana Gardens (Cincinnati, Ohio) took three-in-a-row from 1962-64 and a fourth in 1966 to pose as the only multiple wins in that division of play. Women’s fast pitch was dominated in the 60s by three legendary teams. The Raybestos Brakettes (Stratford, Conn.) won in 1961, ’63, ’66 and ’68; the Orange Lionettes (Orange, Calif.) in 1962, ’65 and ’69 and the Erv Lind Florists (Portland, Ore.) in 1964. The Clearwater Bombers (Clearwater, Fla.) won the men’s fast pitch title in 1960, ’62, ’63, ’66 and ’68. The Sealmasters (Aurora, Ill.) were National Champions in 1961, ’65 and ’67. Skip Hogan A.C. (Pittsburgh, Penn.) was the only men’s slow pitch multiple National Championship title winner, taking the title in 1962, ’64 and ’65.
The 1970s

Moving in to the “Me Decade”: The 1970’s shifted to a society where activities for the individual became more and more popular. The ASA moved into the decade with outstanding growth and exposure. In 1972, construction on the ASA National Office and National Softball Hall of Fame was completed and team registrations soared. A major milestone came about in 1978 as the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) named the ASA the National Governing Body of Softball in the U.S., bringing in ASA/USA Softball status.

Great Players of the Era: Ty Stofflet won the MVP award in the Men’s Major Fast Pitch National Championship five times (1971, ’74, ’75, ’77 and ’78) and amassed three Championship titles. Barbara Reinalda and Kathy Arendsen established themselves as a dominate one-two punch for the Raybestos Brakettes. Reinalda won a team-record 441 games while Arendsen recorded victories in 334 games during the decade. Ted Hicks had a .632 batting average in the 1978 Men’s Major Fast Pitch National Championship. He also shared the MVP title with Stofflet that year. In 1978, Bruce Meade set a record for the longest slow pitch homer on record (510 feet) until that time. With that, he became the most recognizable slow pitch player of the era.

Teams to Remember: The Raybestos Brakettes (Stratford, Conn.) won eight consecutive Women’s Major Fast Pitch titles between 1971-78, compiling a won-loss record of 541-60. The Team also won a pair of ISF World Championships, one in 1974 and the other in 1978. Men’s Major Fast Pitch was dominated by two teams that won three titles: the Raybestos Cardinals (Stratford, Conn.) in 1970, ’72 and ’76 and Billard Barbell/Rising Sun Hotel (Reading, Penn.) in 1975, ’77 and ’78. In men’s slow pitch, Howard’s Furniture (Denver, N.C.) won back-to-back Major National Championships in 1973 and ’74. The Dots (Miami, Fla.) dominated the women’s division, winning titles in 1973, ’74, ’78 and ’79. Dr. Carlucci Bobcats (Chicago, Ill.) emerged as a force in Men’s Major 16-Inch Slow Pitch, capturing four consecutive titles in the decade.
The 1980s

Growing, Growing, Growing: The 1980’s saw an abundance of youth registrations. The growth in the adult and Junior Olympic (JO) programs also brought about an increase in umpire registrations. In 1985, a “field of dreams” became a reality as the ASA Hall of Fame Stadium began to take shape. Two years later, construction was completed and the “Mecca of Softball” was officially born.

Great Players of the Era: Mike Macenko of the Steele’s Silver Bullets established a single-season slow pitch home run record with 844 in 1987. He had 1,534 RBI and a .744 batting average. Michele Granger won three consecutive Bertha Tickey Awards (1986-88) as the outstanding pitcher in the Women’s Major Fast Pitch National Championship. Dot Richardson earned the Erv Lind Award as the top defensive player in the National Championship four times (1981, ’84, ’86 and ’87) while playing for the Rebels and Raybestos Brakettes. Rick “The Crusher” Scherr smashed 2,985 home runs and drove in 6,021 runs while hitting .710 during the decade for Howard’s Western Steer and Superior Apollo.

Teams to Remember: Steele’s Sports/Silver Bullets (Grafton, Ohio) won three consecutive Super Division titles while Howard’s Western Steer (Denver, N.C.) captured back-to-back titles in 1983-84. The Spooks (Anoka, Minn.) captured back-to-back titles for the same years. Pay n’ Pak (Seattle, Wash.) equaled the record of the Fort Wayne Zollner Pistons by winning three consecutive Men’s Major Fast Pitch titles from 1985-87. Ritch’s Salvage (Harrisburg, N.C.) became the first team to win both the Super and Major Division slow pitch title in the same year in 1989. Sikorsky Aircraft (Stratford, Conn.) dominated the Major Industrial Slow Pitch Division, winning four titles in 1980, ’82, ’84 and ’87.

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2 1966 - Donna Lopiano Receiving the MVP Award
3 1970 - ASA President John Nagy bats during Groundbreaking
4 1970 - Future site of ASA headquarters
5 1979 - Barb Reinalda (center) at Pan American Games
6 1981 - Boys 18U SP National Champs
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