

**The following pages are the 14/U packet for:**  
**2008 North American Championship Tournament**  
To be held in Rockford, Illinois

**July 21st – July 26th**

**This tournament packet should answer all of your immediate questions.**

**If you have any more questions about the **National Tournament**, please**

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**2008 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP  
14A NAFA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT**

**The North American Championship 14A is proud to announce it will be hosted this year in Rockford, Illinois at Sportscore, Harlem Community Center, and Forest Hills.**

**“YOUR ENTRY MUST BE APPROVED BY YOUR STATE OR REGIONAL NAFA REPRESENTATIVE. It is your team’s responsibility to check on accepted entries and paperwork with the National Tournament Director.**

**You will find attached tournament information, entry form, and motel listings on the web site.**

**The North American Championship Tournament dates are July 21<sup>th</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>, Monday through Saturday, with Sunday as a rain date.**

It is the **TEAM'S RESPONSIBILITY** to verify their entries and paperwork has been received and accepted by the National Tournament Director.

We hope you will enjoy the tournament as much as we enjoy bringing it to you. We look forward to seeing you there and expect a great tournament.

Thank you,

Ed Serdar, NAFA Regional Director, Region 7

**Mail: North American Championship Entry form and fees to:**  
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**NORTH AMERICAN FASTPITCH ASSOCIATION**  
**2008 14A**

**NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS**  
**JULY 21 THROUGH JULY 26, 2008**

**Tournament Class:**

**14A Girls Fastpitch**

**Tournament Site:**

**ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS – Sportscore, Harlem Community Center, and Forest Hills Fields**

**Tournament Date:**

**July 21<sup>st</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Tournament Format:**

**5 Game Guarantee: 3 Round Robin Pool Games, followed by a 2 Game Guarantee Elimination Bracket. Elimination brackets will be four flights. Winner of each flight will play off a DE championship on the final day. There are no special requests for start times. All teams MUST be available to play their first game at 8:00 AM on Tuesday morning. Any game forfeited will be scored as a 7 – 0 loss and the team is subject to expulsion from the tournament at the discretion of the tournament director.**

**Tournament Entry Fee:**

**The entry fee for NAFA members is \$450.00. ONLY the first 104 entries/berths will be accepted. Preferred method of payment (NO team checks) is by certified check, cashier's check or money orders "ONLY", NO EXCEPTIONS. NO REFUNDS**

**Checks should be payable to: NAFA REGION 7**

### **Tournament Qualification Criteria:**

Qualification is awarded through the State and Regional NAFA Offices.

### **Tournament Awards:**

1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Place Team Awards

Pool Championship Awards

1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Place Individual Awards

Top Ten Team Awards

### **Gift Exchange and Pin Trading:**

There will be a gift exchange before your **FIRST POOL GAME ONLY**. Each team is requested to exchange some type of gift generally representative of their state heritage and customs Team pins, T-shirts, etc before the first pool game with their first opponent. Pin trading throughout the tournament is highly recommended.

### **Tournament Roster:**

All rosters are due at registration (**20 player limit**). There is an official roster form included in your packet. Roster changes must be reported at the mandatory coaches meeting, on Monday evening, July 21st. Registration will take place from 9:00 AM till 12:00. PM.

**TOURNAMENT UNIFORM:** All teams dress alike in uniform – color and style – including coaches.

**TOURNAMENT HOUSING:** Housing will be made by individual teams. Motel listing is provided as an attachment.

### **Monday, July 21st Schedule**

**Team Check-In: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM** – All teams must **CHECK IN**. Check in will be held at Sportscore complex. The team manager/coach should pick up the team packet that will contain Pool Schedules, game ball, and manager's handouts. Rosters must be submitted at this time with a copy of your insurance certificate. Birth certificates must be available in the event someone protests a player's age. The protest must be made prior to the first pitch of the game or it will not be considered. Hotel information **MUST** be made available at check-in. The tournament **MUST** have a way to contact everyone.

### **Hitting Contest and Fastest Team Contest:**

**These will be held at Sportscore Monday at 1:00 PM. Each team will be allowed one player for the hitting contest and the fastest team contest shall consist of four players.**

Opening Ceremonies begin at 6:00 PM at the Soccer Center at Sportscore with all teams lining up for entry into the ceremonies. After all introductions the World Famous Jesse White Tumblers will perform. Immediately following the opening ceremonies we will have a manager's meeting. We will require that no more than **TWO (2)** team representatives be in attendance. Tournament rules will be discussed and there will be a brief question and answer session. A catered meal will be provided for all managers and umpires at this time.

## **Tuesday, July 22 Schedule**

Pool play will begin Tuesday morning at 8:00 AM and will run into the late afternoon.

### **Tournament Gate Entry Information:**

**\$30.00 weekly passes for adults / \$15.00 weekly pass senior citizens (55 up) and children (ages 6 – 10). Daily passes are \$10.00 per day. Children under 5 are FREE. -- \$5.00 after 5PM each day for everyone! Presale passes are available at a discounted rate of \$25 weekly pass if ordered and paid for by July 15<sup>th</sup>. Email [Hawkeye@HomerHawks.com](mailto:Hawkeye@HomerHawks.com) to order your passes.**

**Field Locations: Sporstcore is located at 100 Elmwood Rockford, Illinois 60110. Harlem Community Center is located at 9400 Forest Hills Road, Loves Park, IL. Forest hills Diamonds are located at 7742 Forest Hills Road, Loves Park, IL.**

**“TOURNAMENT ENTRY “WILL NOT” BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE ENTRY FORM ACCOMPANYING YOUR CHECK OF \$450.00 MADE PAYABLE TO NAFAREGION7.”**