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January 2024

Dear Coaches and Players,

Welcome to the **2024 Mohegan Sun World Softball Coaches' Convention**! We are excited to have you here and we applaud your dedication to the game of softball! Our mission is to provide a worldclass experience for coaches and players alike, and toward that end we have secured outstanding clinicians and designed a curriculum that addresses all levels of play and a range of coaching areas. Here are a couple of 2024 convention notes:

- One of the things that makes this event exceptional is our use of Mohegan Sun's incredible Expo Center, where we offer interactive learning sessions on our **Salt City Sports Demo Infield** and at the **On Deck Sports Batting Cage**. These sessions complement our teaching sessions in Earth Ballroom A & B throughout the clinic.
- Again this year, we are providing you with **<u>FREE</u>** *post-event access to videos* of many of our convention sessions, so that you can refer back to them or watch sessions you may have missed. Approximately two weeks following the clinic, we will provide attendees with email instructions as to how to access these videos. They will be available to you for a full year.
- You will find a schedule in this handout. We will update this schedule as needed on our mobile friendly website – SoftballCoachesClinic.com. We also have a full version of our Event Handout, which includes session outlines, available digitally on our website on the "Event Schedule" page.
- We will offer **two bonus sessions** on Friday night at 7PM & 8PM. Then, on Saturday morning, our Exhibitor Zone opens at 7:45AM, with our first sessions of the day starting at 8:15AM.

We thank our excellent presenters, who have found the time to share their knowledge of and passion for the game of softball. A special thanks to our title sponsor, Mohegan Sun; and to all our sponsors and exhibitors, whose support helps make this event possible.

Yours in softball and coaching,

Andy Walker

Roger/LaFrancois

Pete Walker

Paul Sturges

Rick Orluk

WORLD SOFTBALL EVENT SCHEDULE Friday, January 12 & Saturday, January 13, 2024:



FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024							
Session Times	Location	Presenter	Торіс				
6:00pm - 8:00pm	EARLY EVENT REGISTRATION OPENS Mohegan Sun Expo Center Pre-Function Area						
7:00pm - 7:45pm BONUS SESSION #1	Break-Out #2	Laura Valentino, University of Connecticut Head Coach	Your Coaching Matters: Preparing Players for the Next Level				
8:00pm - 8:45pm BONUS SESSION #2	Break-Out #2	Ashley Waters, Boston University Head Coach	Offense, Defense, & Baserunning. Optimizing Your Time to Cover All Facets of the Game in One Practice				

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2024						
Session Times	Location	Presenter	Торіс			
7:00am - 9:30am	GENERAL EVENT REGISTRATION Mohegan Sun Expo Center Pre-Function Area					
7:45am - 8:15am	EXHIBITOR ZONE IN EXPO CENTER HALL OPENS					
8:15am - 9:15am	Break-Out #1	Carol Hutchins, Hall of Fame University of Michigan Coach	Culture and Connection are the Foundation of a Great Team: Building A Team Without Bats and Balls			
	On Deck Sports Batting Cage	A.J. Andrews Gold Glove Winner & LSU All-American	Favorite Slapping Drills Demo			
	Salt City Sports Demo Field	Jen Hapanowicz, USA Elite Training Founder	Pitching - Speed Killers: A Live Demo			
9:30am - 10:30am	Break-Out #1	Ashley Waters, Boston University Head Coach	Game Preparation Development. Defensive Skill Work & Drills to Maximize Performance			
	Break-Out #2	Whitney Goldstein, University of Rhode Island Head Coach	Indoor Practice Planning: Maximizing Fundamentals and Fun in Northeast Weather			
	On Deck Sports Batting Cage & Salt City Sports Demo Field	A.J. Andrews, Haylie McCleney & Morgan Stuart with Denise Davis & the Planet Fastpitch Team	Pitching, Hitting, & Throwing Contests with Prizes!			
10:30am - 11:15am	EXHIBITOR TIME					
10:35am - 11:10am	Salt City Sports Demo Field	A.J. Andrews & Haylie McCleney	Outfield Skills & Drills Demo			

Program, topics, and presenters are subject to change. Attendees must always wear their event credentials to access the event. No videotaping of event sessions is allowed.

COMPLIMENTARY COFFEE SATURDAY MORNING FOR ATTENDEES & EXHIBITORS:

Complimentary coffee, courtesy of **Salt City Sports**, will be served beginning at 7:45AM on Saturday in the Salt City Sports booth (#318) in the Exhibitor Zone. Stop by and learn more about their beautiful baseball/softball facility in Syracuse, N.Y.



WORLD SOFTBALL EVENT SCHEDULE Saturday, January 13, 2024 (Continued):

Session Times	Location	Presenter	Торіс			
11:15am - 12:05pm	Break-Out #1	Morgan Stuart, Defensive Specialist & Player Development Coach	Implementing Mentality into Everyday Rep			
	Break-Out #2	Clarisa Crowell, Penn State University Head Coach	Programming and Drill Work for Elite Pitchers			
	On Deck Sports Batting Cage	Laura Valentino, University of Connecticut Head Coach	Sharpen HOW We Catch: Drills to Grow Your Catcher's Toolbox			
	Salt City Sports Demo Field	A.J. Andrews, Haylie McCleney, and Select Presenters led by Jen Hapanowicz	Hitting Drills with Live Player Involvement			
12:05pm - 1:15pm	EXHIBITOR TIME / LUNCH BREAK					
12:15pm - 1:00pm	Exhibitor Zone	Get Your Photo Taken with Haylie McCleney Players have priority				
	Exhibitor Zone	Get Your Photo Taken with A.J. Andrews Players have priority				
	Exhibitor Zone	Meet Morgan Stuart				
	Salt City Sports Demo Field	Rhode Island Head Coach Whitney Goldstein and USA Elite Training Founder Jen Hapanowicz	Working Lunch: Get Your Recruiting Questions Answered by Rhode Island Head Coach Whitney Goldstein and USA Elite Training Founder Jen Hapanowicz			
1:15pm - 2:15pm	Break-Out #1	Carol Hutchins, Hall of Fame University of Michigan Coach, Haylie McCleney, Softball Superstar & Denise Davis, Planet Fastpitch Founder	My Softball Life: The Challenges & The Celebrations featuring Hall of Famer Carol Hutchins & Softball Superstar Haylie McCleney - An Interview Session with Denise Davis			
	Break-Out #2	Mark Leinweaver, MLB Agent & Motivational Speaker	Why Character Matters: An Interactive Workshop			
	On Deck Sports Batting Cage	Jen Hapanowicz , USA Elite Training Founder	How to Practice Pitching in Small Spaces: Indoor Drills			
	Salt City Sports Demo Field	Morgan Stuart, Defensive Specialist & Player Development Coach	My Favorite Infield Focuses from Beginner to Pro			
2:30pm - 3:20pm	Break-Out #1	Clarisa Crowell, Penn State University Head Coach	Effective Strategies for Running a Productive and Efficient Practice			
	Break-Out #2	Laura Valentino, University of Connecticut Head Coach	Catcher TALK: How to Develop Effective Communicators Behind the Dish			
	On Deck Sports Batting Cage	Jen Hapanowicz, USA Elite Training Founder	Functional Strength Work to Build Stronger Pitchers			
	Salt City Sports Demo Field	Leigh Barone, Masuk High School (CT) & Kristine Botto-Drust, Cheshire High School (CT)	Playing Catch with Purpose: Fundamentals of Throwing, Receiving & Transitions - A Live Demonstration			
3:30pm		EXHIBITOR ZONE CLOSES				
3:30pm - 4:20pm	Break-Out #1	Whitney Goldstein, University of Rhode Island Head Coach	Generating Offense: The Old School Way (Fundamentals of Hitting, Advancing Runners, Hitting with Contact/Average with Drills)			
	Break-Out #2	Denise Davis , Planet Fastpitch Founder	Develop a Stronger Pitching Motion Start! Learn the Science, How to Assess the Movement, & Get Drills to Optimize Performance			
4:25pm - 5:15pm	Break-Out #1	Laura Valentino & the UConn Coaching Staff, Kristin Botto-Drust - Cheshire HS, & Leigh Barone - Masuk HS	Encouraging Leadership in Your Coaching Staff: A Panel Discussion with Audience Q & A			
5:15pm	CLINIC CONCLUDES					

2024 Mohegan Sun World Baseball and Softball Coaches' Convention Exhibitor Booth Locations

Exhibitor	Exhibitor Booth #	Exhibitor	Exhibitor Booth #
ATM Sports	104	Pocket Radar	117
Ballparks of America/Sho-Me Baseb	108	Porta Phone Co.	224
BATCO	111	Portolite Pitching Mounds	107 & 109
Bownet Sports	121	ProTime Sports Inc.	500 & 502
C & C Baseball and Apparel	325	Putnam Science Academy	213
CES	112	Rango Sports	324
Coaches Video	221	Rawlings / Easton	305
Cooperstown Bat Company	113	Rob Monte Art	527
CT SportsPlex	309	SANMAR	208
Decker Sports	220	Salt City Sports	318
Dove Tail Bats	408	SCORE Sports	418
Dream Bats	226	Snap! Mobile	311
Driveline Baseball	319	Softball Climate	309
Eli's Springback Tee	219	Sports Paradise	127
431 Sports	122	Strength Pro Inc.	211
GameChanger	310	Team Orders	223
Game One	228	The Blocking Buddy	504
Get Set Marketing	124	The Kelly Rodman Baseball Foundation	529
Gold Athletics	110	Tucci Limited Sports	126
JUGS Sports	128	Tyrus Baseball Products	118
Lasorda Legacy Park	125	USA Baseball	210
Launchpad Thumb Guard	525	USA Elite Training	506 & 508
Leading Edge Fundraising	120	USA Softball	510
Long Island Hot Stove Baseball	222	Walla International/Click Heaters	123
NFP Sports	523	Walter Bat Company	206
On Deck Sports	205	Wilson Sporting Goods Co.	217
Perfect Swings USA	129	USA Tournament Series	114
Performance Pitch	321	Victus Sports	541
Planet Fastpitch	319	X-Grain Sportswear	105

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