

ESF Newsletter - Special Issue, July 2015









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EDITORIAL



Dejan Jesic;

Vice President for Media,

Dear Softball Friends,

It is time for sport! Our sport -- softball. So, during the next two months, a great many of our #players will be on the dirt, in the dugout, in the box waiting for "that pitch". So many different tournaments are ahead of us and I, on behalf of the @ESF, would like to tell you few things. I am from #Serbia and I witnessed the birth of our #game in my country. I am not the founder of @SerbianSoftball, but, in the early days, the biggest challenge was how to find people interested in the sport.

The main method was to open a contact list. We did this during a time when the internet wasn't affordable for everybody in my country and talking on #mobile phones with people across #Europe with unbelievable prices was "mission impossible". Now, almost a decade and half later, we can communicate in so many ways! Even through glasses or watches!

Evolution ... it's happening. And I'm so glad that as a member of @EuropeanSoftball we can participate in as many tournaments as we want. How? Very #easy. Today, 80% of people have smart phones, laptops, tablets and #WiFi connections and can talk or share the information in real time. Share! That is one of the most used words in this world.

#Sharing information or photos puts us in the middle of the action. Due to our #love, #passion and #devotion to #softball, that's what counts.

When I was elected to the position of Vice President in the @ESF, my first and primary goal was to establish good connections and the fastest way to "share" information between our member countries. After almost two and half years, we have succeeded.

Our databases have been rebuilt, our <u>europeansoftball.org</u> website has been redesigned and our social media accounts are "in the air".

Talking about social media.... "Social" is, maybe, the wrong word, but right now I won't elaborate on this issue, because I'd like to remind you that the growth of our game depends on SHAREs, LIKEs, FOLLOWING and similar words.

Of course, this is a secondary way of developing, but nobody can say that he or she is not interested to see/hear/learn what is going on in Italy, the Netherlands, Russia, Spain, France, Great Britain, Malta, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ireland, Ukraine. This summer the @ESF will organize 10 male and female #tournaments. Do you know how many players will take part? Of course you don't know. Neither do we, but if you SHARE #info with us.... That's what we are looking for!

Share all your materials with us and everybody will be able to see what is going on in #Nuoro, #Ostrava, #Dupnitsa or.... Via official websites and our addresses we will spread (SHARE) your posts, in real time, so we can be connected #24/7 and through different streams we can nearly feel the games and the #emotions. Don't be selfish! Share everything with us and make the softball community in #Europe larger.

Thanks for reading this, and you can find me on diesic@europeansoftball.org. I'm ready to serve you. Also, we can and we will SHARE your news on our Twitter and Facebook accounts. Don't hesitate to ask us any softball-related question and all our @European Softball Federation crew and myself will try to get the #answer ASAP.

Dejan Jesic, ESF Vice President for Media

GENERAL MEDIA INFORMATION

Accreditations: To arrange an accreditation for yourself as a photographer, journalist or other media staff, please contact the organiser of the event you want to attend. More information here.

Updates about each event will always be available on the official media channels of the event as well as on the ESF <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> accounts.

A summary of each event will be available on the ESF website.

If there is video streaming at the event, it will always be accessible through the home page of the ESF website in the "Competitions Corner".



EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS



European Championship Cadet Girls

Category: Under-16 Girls Date: June 29-July 4

Location: Nuoro, Sardinia, Italy

Contact info: sport@nuorosoftball.com

Website: http://www.fibs.it/it-it/campionati-softball.aspx

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/nuoro/schedule.php

Streaming: July 4

on https://www.youtube.com/embed/LNgZAEXWI9I

Participating teams: Belgium, Czech Republic, Great Britain,

Italy, Russia, Spain.



European Championship Junior Men

Category: Under-19 Men

Date: July 13-18

Location: Most, Czech Republic
Contactinfo: kasal.p@seznam.cz
Website: http://euro2015.softball.cz/en/

Streaming: July 17-18 on http://www.playo.tv/event/9-Mistrovstvi-

Evropy-junioru-1622.aspx

Clinic: There will be a pitching camp during the Champinship. On Tuesday, July 14th, from 19:30 at the main field (right after the

Czech Republic – Israel game)

We will be offering other days too depending on the number of

pitchers.

Participating teams: Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Great

Britain, Israel, Poland.



European Championship Women

Category: Women Date: July 19-25

Location: Rosmalen, Netherlands
Contact info: echw2015@gmail.com
Website: http://www.echw2015.nl/

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/rosmalen/schedule.php Streaming: July 24-25 on http://www.playo.tv/event/19-Mistrovstvi-

Evropy-zen-1708.aspx

Clinic: Michele Smith will lead a clinic during the final two days of the

Championship. (See the invitation below)

Friday 24th – 1st session; 13:30-15:00, 2nd session 15:30-17:00 Saturday 25th – 1st session 09:30-11:00, 2nd session 11:30-13:00 Participating teams: Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Italy, Ireland, Israel, Netherlands, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden,

Switzerland, Ukraine.



European Championship Co-ed Slowpitch

Category: Adult co-ed slowpitch

Date: July 28-August 1
Location: Dupnitsa, Bulgaria
Contactinfo: office@softball.bg

Website: http://www.softballevents.com/

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/dupnitsa/schedule.php

Streaming: None

Clinic: The ESF is working on bringing in Brett Helmer from team

USA to lead clinics on strategy, pitching and hitting.

Participating teams: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Great

Britain, Ireland, Lithuania.

EUROPEAN CUPS



European Super Cup Junior Women

Category: Under-19 Women

Date: July 8-11

Location: Ostrava, Czech Republic Contact info: vedeni@arrows.cz

Website: http://arrows.cz/index.php/en/escjw2015en/news

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/ostrava/schedule.php

Streaming: None

Participating teams: Academy (BEL), Arena (SRB), Arrows Ostrava (CZE), Blue Angels (NED), Joudrs (CZE), Poland (POL),

Slovakia (SVK).

European Massimo Romeo Youth Trophy



Category: Under-13 Girls Date: August 12-15 Location: Collecchio, Italy

Contact info: posta@collecchio-bs.it

Website: www.collecchio-bs.it (in Italian)

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/collecchio/schedule.php

Streaming: None

Clinic: Pitching clinic planned, subject to confirmation.

Participating teams: Akademiks (BUL), Czech Stars (CZE), Gepardy Žory (POL), Italy 1 (ITA), Italy 2 (ITA), Joudrs Praha (CZE), London Cubs (GBR), Moscomsport (RUS), Moscovia Marino (RUS), SC

Moscovia (RUS).

European Premiere Cup Women



Category: Women Date: August 17-22

Location: Eagles Prague, Czech Republic

Contact info: eagles@eagles.cz

Website: http://praguesoftballsummer.com/en/

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/prague2/schedule.php Streaming: August 21-22 on http://www.playo.tv/event/XXXVIII-

European-Premiere-Cup-Women-2015-1619.aspx

Participating teams: Busolengo (ITA), Carrousel (RUS), Eagles (CZE), Hoboken (BEL), La Loggia (ITA), Luzern (SUI), Söder (SWE),

Sparks (NED), Vermins (GER).



European Cup Winners Cup Women

Category: Women Date: August 17-22

Location: Joudrs Prague, Czech Republic

Contact info: joudrs@seznam.cz

Website: http://praguesoftballsummer.com/en/

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/prague/schedule.php

Streaming: August 21-22 on http://www.playo.tv/event/XXIV-European-Cup-Winners-Cup-Women-2015-1620.aspx

More streaming: August 17-22 (Field A only) on http://joudrs.cz/o-

klubu/online-webkamera/

Participating teams: Akademiks (BUL), Antorcha (ESP), Arena (SRB), BCF Paris (FRA), Flyers (SUI), Forli (ITA), Hørsholm Barracudas (DEN), Joudrs (CZE), London Angels (GBR), Neunkirchen (GER), Pee Wees (AUT), Royal Greys (BEL),

Terrasvogles (NED).



European Cup Women

Category: Women
Date: August 18-22

Location: Dupnitsa, Bulgaria
Contact info: office@softball.bg

Website: http://www.softballevents.com/

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/dupnitsa2/schedule.php

Streaming: None

Participating teams: Babes (BUL), Les Comanches (FRA), Princ (CRO), Sant Boi (ESP), Stenløse (DEN), Warsaw Diamonds (POL).



European Super Cup Men

Category: Men
Date: August 24-29

Location: Radotín Prague, Tempo Prague, Czech Republic

Contact info: fefi1234@yahoo.com

Website: http://praguesoftballsummer.com/en/

Schedule and scoring:

http://competition.europeansoftball.org/2015/prague3/schedule.php
Streaming: August 27-29 on http://www.playo.tv/event/ESF-Super-

Cup-muzu-2015-1621.aspx

Clinic: Two clinics lead by world top coaches from New Zealand.

(See the invitation below)

August 23 - players clinic at 17:00

August 25 - coaches clinic (discusion) at 20:30

Participating teams: Amager (DEN), Black Sox Jrs (NZL), Brasschaat (BEL), Cavigal (FRA), Chicaboos (BEL), Chomutov (CZE), Czech Rep Under-23 (CZE), Giants (CRO), Havlickuv Brod (CZE), Hoofdoorp (NED), Hørsholm (DEN), HSV Adegeest (NED), Junior Alpina (ITA), Magos Tenerife (ESP), MRKI Medvedi (CRO), Nieuwegein (NED), Panthers (FRA), Pro Roma (ITA), Quick (NED), Radotinsky SK (CZE), Spectrum (CZE), Stenløse (DEN), Tempo

(CZE).



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Michele Smith's Clinics Schedule Now Available.

During the European Championship in Rosmalen Two times Gold Medal Winner Michele Smith will give clinics for those who learn about the fine tips and tricks of professional softball.

SUBSCRIBE NOW AS SOON AS YOU CAN!

Participation is limited per session, so don't wait too long and subscribe today per email!

Friday 24 July

(A) 1st. Session: 13:30-15:00, (B) 2nd. Session: 15:30-17:00

Saturday 25 July

(C) 1st. Session: 09:30-11:00, (D) 2nd. Session: 11:30-13:00

After the clinics Michele will be available for commentating the games P1, P2 on Friday and P4 on Saturday.





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