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IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW IN AUGUST



3rd – NCBBA Phone Day

NCBA League Meeting
 - August 10th @ 7PM EST on Ustream



10th – NCFA Phone Day

NCFA Team Previews Due
 - August 15th



16th - Suite 301

NCBBA Schedule Request Forms Due
 - August 15th



17th- NCBA Phone Day

NCBA DI & DII Fall Ball Schedule Request Forms Due
 - August 5th



24th- NCSA Phone Day

NCSA Schedule Request Forms Due
 - August 5th

New Teams to Join the CollClubSports Family in August!



James Madison University (DII)



Siena College (DII)



St. Bonaventure University (DII)



University of Central Arkansas (DII)



University of North Dakota (DII)



Houston Community College (DII)



University of South Carolina—Union



California Miramar University—San Diego



University of Northern Colorado



University of Notre Dame



Lake Superior State University



Old Dominion University

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CollClubSports is very excited to welcome all these teams to the organization. This just goes to show how committed CollClubSports is to the development and growth of each league.



University of Dayton



Purdue University



Northern Kentucky University



Monmouth University

New Websites Coming this Month!

CollClubSports has announced that new NCSA, NCBA, and NCFA websites will be released later this month. The new websites will be mobile device compatible as well as feature a new mainstream look and feel. Check out the NCBBA website (www.ncbbabasketball.org) as that's what the rest of the leagues will be transitioning to!

Meet Mike Mulkerin: Wilson/DeMarini Sponsorship Account Manager!



Mike was born and has lived in Pittsburgh his entire life. Being raised in a town where the people live and breathe with their sports teams it was easy for Mike to fall in love with sports at an early age. Starting with baseball at the age of 4, he has spent his life playing as many sports as possible doing everything from basketball to rugby in the sports world. Baseball has always been the one constant in Mike's life and it allowed him to attend Point Park University in the "City of Champions" graduating with a degree in History and Economics. While at Point Park, Mike was able to get involved with the Rugby club as a player and an officer. This has generated a love and admiration for club sports that Mike looks forward to continuing with CollClubSports.

"I'm beyond excited to be working here at CCS," says Mulkerin. "Sports have always been the focal point of my life and it's great to find a career opportunity that allows me to work in a field I love. Being the Wilson/DeMarini Account Manager gives me the unique opportunity to provide our athletes products I've grown up using my entire life. It makes the conversations with players simple because I'm able to talk about products I personally use and believe in. Overall, it just feels like the perfect fit to be able to work with a staff that wants to create lifelong memories for our athletes through our organizations. There's no place I'd rather be."

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Meet Rachel Hartman: Sports Information Director & Macleem Sponsor Account Manager!



Rachel grew up in a little suburb south of Atlanta and loved playing sports starting at an early age. Even though her talents were in soccer and volleyball, she was raised a die-hard Braves fan and developed a love for baseball. After entering college, she quickly found herself heavily involved with intramural and club sports at both Mercer University and Georgia State where she was both a participant and a referee. After graduating from GSU in 2011, she realized that she could make a career out of her love of sports. From there, she moved to Cleveland, OH and was the Competitive Sports and Camps Graduate Assistant at Cleveland State while she pursued her Masters in Sport Management. In 2014, Rachel accepted a job at Colorado College as the Assistant Director of Recreation where she helped run their Intramural and club sports programs. It was at CC where Rachel got directly involved with the NCBA as a volunteer DII District Coordinator. After two district playoffs, she decided that she would like to work for a company like CollClubSports due to their genuine commitment to providing the best services for students who wish to stay competitive with their favorite sports. So, in July of 2016, Rachel accepted the position of Sports Information Director.

"I am beyond excited to be now working for CollClubSports," says Hartman. "I love being able to come to work each day knowing that what I'm doing is giving students across the country the opportunity to play the sports they love. I've been involved with recreation for a while, so being in the role of a Sports Information Director has expanded by expertise in this field. I can't wait for the school year to start again!"

Established in the Spring of 2015, the UNC Greensboro club football team has been gearing up to finally join the NCFA. Captain DiJon Mason ('16, DE/C) is excited for this upcoming season and sees UNC Chapel Hill as their biggest rival due to them being the only teams in North Carolina and thus would compete for bragging rights of being the best in the state. When asked why his team joined the NCFA, Mason said, "We chose to join because the NCFA is the most competitive league at this level and we wanted to be a part of that. This gives us a chance to compete for a championship and player/team awards." Devyn Merklin ('18, WR/S) agrees: "The NCFA has proven to be just as exciting as the NCAA and a perfect gateway for the growth of UNCG".

Some players to look out for include Brandon Travis ('18) at quarterback and Blaine Ayres ('18) at middle linebacker. It's with their leadership that the Spartans hope to play well this season and get themselves to the national championship game. Ayres is grateful that he's able to play the game he loves again by saying, "A lot of us players never thought we would play football again after high school but thanks to some hard work, dedication, and the NCFA we have all been given a chance to do what we love and show what we are capable of". UNC Greensboro is now part of the South Atlantic Conference and has their season opener the week of September 12th against Chapel Hill at home.

New NCFA Team Spotlight: UNC Greensboro



AJ Curington ('17, DT/OG) sums up his team's potential this year: "We're obviously very excited to be a part of the NCFA. We've put a lot of hard work in and now we're ready to put some more in so that we can lift that championship trophy at the end of the season". The NCFA is eager to see how the Spartans do and wishes them all the best.

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Introducing The Game: The New Official Headwear Provider of CollClubSports!

CollClubSports is excited to announce their new contract with The Game headwear. This partnership now makes The Game the official headwear provider for CollClubSports. The Game is owned by MV Sports, a company that has been providing top quality customizable products since 1948.



The Game will offer ALL hats to CollClubSports teams for \$19 flat. That covers all styles and any designs they want. Teams can also take advantage of the early order discount by getting \$2 off each cap they order when ordering before December 1st. The Game also has headwear for all sports including beanies and visors should teams be interested. All headwear will include the respective league logo on the back free of charge, compliments of CollClubSports, the NCBA, NCSA, NCBBA, & NCFA.

The Game

Being the new "Official Baseball Cap of the NCBA," The Game has the ability to recreate & match any previous hat style/design that was previously purchased. Teams can also go to The Game's website and build their own cap: <http://www.thegameheadwear.com/>. After using the site's cap builder, teams should save their designs and place an order with CollClubSports. Be sure to order your The Game headwear through Felicia Battaglia to receive the partnership pricing! She can be reached at Felicia.Battaglia@CollClubSports.com and at 412-321-8440 ext.107.



Louisville Slugger Bats Now Offered To NCBA & NCSA Teams!

DeMarini, the "Official Baseball Bat of the NCBA & NCSA", has just sweetened their deal with the National Club Baseball & Softball Associations. Earlier this year, DeMarini acquisitioned the famous Louisville Slugger brand. Because of this, the NCBA & NCSA can offer Louisville bats to their players at a steeply discounted price.

As an authorized DeMarini bat dealer, the NCBA & NCSA can also sell any Louisville bat, enabling them to offer teams the best pricing possible directly through the Associations.

Players can browse what Louisville has to offer by going to their website: <http://www.slugger.com/en-us/baseball>. Individual orders can also be placed at exclusive NCBA & NCSA prices by contacting Mike Mulkerin at the NCBA office. He can be reached at Mike.Mulkerin@CollClubSports.com and at 412-321-8440 extension 106.



The NCBA/NCSA 2017 Spring Training Showcase Heads Back to Tampa!

CollClubSports and the National Club Baseball & Softball Associations are excited to announce that they have signed with the Tampa Bay Sports Commission to bring the 2017 NCBA/NCSA Spring Training Showcase back to Tampa, FL. This will be the twelfth year that two organizations have partnered to host the annual outing. After a record-setting 70 teams attended the 2016 event at Mike Sansone Park in Plant City, FL, anticipation for the 2017 Spring Training Showcase is already building.

For more information about the NCBA and NCSA Spring Training Showcases please visit the websites below. Teams can also contact Spring Training VP of Operations Savannah Ahrens via e-mail at Savannah.Ahrens@CollClubSports.com or at (412) 321-8440 x103.

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