



ESF Newsletter - Special Issue, July 2015



EDITORIAL

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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, lap-tops, 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 europeansoftball.org website has been redesigned and our social media accounts are "in the air".

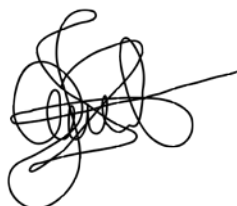
Talking about social media.... "Social" is, maybe, the wrong word, but right now I won't elaborate on this issue, because I'd like to remind you that the growth of our game depends on SHARES, LIKES, FOLLOWING and similar words.

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 djesic@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 [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) 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".



The screenshot shows the European Softball Federation website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, Directory, Documents, Competitions, Congresses, Development, History, and Media. A search bar is located on the right. The main banner features the logo for the European Masters Games 2015, held in Nice from October 1-11, 2015. Below the banner, there are three small images: "2015 World Cup (119)", "EChCG - Day 3", and "European at World". To the right, a section titled "Play by Play & Statistics 2015 - LIVE!" lists three competitions: "2015 VIII EChCG, Nuoro" (Location: Nuoro, Italy; Dates: 29 Jun 2015 to 04 Jul 2015), "2015 I ESCJW, Ostrava" (Location: Ostrava, Czech Republic; Dates: 08 Jul 2015 to 11 Jul 2015), and "2015 IX EChJM, Most" (Location: Most, Czech Republic; Dates: 13 Jul 2015 to 18 Jul 2015). A video player icon is circled in red next to the first competition. At the bottom right, there is a calendar for July 2015.

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/LNqZAEXWI9I>

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

Contact info: 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 Championship.

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

Contact info: 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 (discussion) 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).

ESF presents

FASTPITCH CLINICS

 with BLACK SOX coaches

part of the MEN'S SUPER CUP in Prague, Czech Republic

FOR PLAYERS

HITTING and PITCHING AUG 23rd 5pm
Crush the pitches, fan the batters!
Radotin

FOR COACHES

WORLD TOP COACHING AUG 25th 8:30pm
Reaching the top, raising champions!
Radotin

Jarrad "Jazza" Rangi Martin

Thomas "Larri" Makea

for more information and/or to signup contact gwaage@europeansoftball.org

BREAKING NEWS - BREAKING NEWS - BREAKING NEWS



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 ! IT'S FREE !

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.

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE...

Make your choice for 1 Session and send your subscription to

echw2015.tickets@gmail.com

Fill in your name, your age and the team in which you play regularly.