

NorthWest Softball Association for the Deaf
40th Men and 26th Women Annual Softball Tournament
June 24 - 26, 2010
Regional Athletic Complex
Lacey, Washington

Commissioner Saul Gevarter welcomed everyone with opening remarks, by congratulating , 2009 NSAD National Champions Hoy's Boys/Team Combat, for bringing the bacon home to NWSAD, and also well represented by with San Francisco Stingers well as second runner up at NSAD. He told everyone at the delegate meeting, that the bylaws needed to be look at and cleaned up, with all those relevant to softball organization. He hoped that NSAD have its bylaws completed by its committee, led by Kevin Bella. With ongoing bylaw changes, he hoped that NWSAD would continue to grow strong. He wanted to set up throughout NWSAD Newsletter, to keep everyone informed, as part of one big family organization. He also mentioned that he hopes to see CO-ED teams become official addition to the NSAD tournament, by next year. He wants to see that happen, because due to fact that CO-ED would attract more families, with men and women playing together, in a family themed tournament. Matt Spurgeon, Deputy Commissioner, told everyone that it was his first time being an officer of this organization, and that he would pick up the nuance of running bylaws by next year. Joan reported that this year there were 58 new incoming players, the largest ever in a long time, with most of them coming in from mainstream high school. That gave NWSAD hope that there will be continuing growth in years to come.

Andy announced that he has completed 1971 – 2009 Men and 1983 – 2009 Women statistics, along with several new additional categories. He also mentioned that after the website was set up, as updated everything with some more information, and will continue to update everything immediately, during, and after tournament. He also set up PayPal account in advance, for next year tournament, for anyone wanting to pay immediately, along with service fee. He also announced two newest Hall of Fame inductees, Tom Popowski, Player, and Keith Drown, leader. Two foremost changes hoped for bylaw changes referred to Law Committee, that being "Code of Conduct", and "Flat Fee per team or player" but both failed as accepted whole, but the delegates recognized the need to restructure appeal procedure, along with layered fees in the future. The NWSAD officers will bring up better way of this structure at next year's meeting, in order to strengthen the NWSAD organization overall. At the end of the delegate meeting, Joan again voted ACL as Secretary/Treasurer and Andy voted ACL as Sports Information Director, with no competition, for another two years term,

The softball tournament opened with defending champion, Hoy's Boys/Team Combat being favorite to win it all again for umpteenth time. They went through a thoroughly enjoyable round robin, with eight other teams, Beaverton Sharks, Tacoma, Mt. Rainers, West Sound, Portland, Vancouver Venom and GSCD Emeralds, along with five women teams are being San Francisco, Shooting Stars, Pirate Ladies, Portland and Seattle Mermaids. The weather was cool, and on / off drizzling rain on Friday, and a warm Saturday making the tournament thoroughly pleasant weekend for everyone involved. Hoy's Boys/Team Combat met all the expectations as they beat all teams through out the tournament with no loss, as Men Champion with 11 men on its roster. Beaverton Sharks, as seeded #2, fought hard with older and experienced players on its team, but could not overcome Hoy's Boys / Team Combat hitting machine came in 2nd place. Through out the tournament, the youngest team was still West Sound, came in 7th place. GSCD Emerald, being the oldest team in the tournament, enjoyed playing throughout the tournament and came in 8th place.

Women Softball Tournament opened with San Francisco Stingers as favorite to win it all again won first two games but could not overcome Seattle Mermaids' strong showing in their 19 – 2 loss, fought hard for 2nd try against Seattle Mermaids. Seattle Mermaids went all out against SF Stingers in the Championship, coming from thrilling 5th inning

4 – 1 behind to beat SF 8 – 4, crowned as Women Champions. Portland came third with their all around effort against SF Stingers. 44 games were played at the tournament, with Women teams finally having more than five games guaranteed for first time in several years. So far, 11 teams from NWSAD will be at NSAD, along with possibly couple more waiting to be added. The NWSAD organization hopes to see CO-ED as official part of tournament next year! The location and date of 2011 will be announced shortly.

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| Most Valuable Player Kevin Bishop - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat | Most Valuable Player Dana Stottlemeyer - Seattle Mermaids |
| Home Run Derby Champion Kevin Bishop - Hoy's Boys/ Team Combat | Home Run Derby Champion Angel Cook - Seattle Mermaids |
| Batting Average Champion Matt Spurgeon - Hoy's Boys / Team Combat 14 for 18 - .778 | Batting Average Champion Elizabeth Martinez - San Francisco Stingers 17 for 21 - .810 |
| Most Outstanding Player Derrick Jull - Hoy's Boys / Team Combat | Most Outstanding Player Marianne Skuzinski - Portland |
| Golden Gloves Award Barrit Todd - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat | Golden Gloves Award Olivia MacKay - Seattle Mermaids |
| Coach of the Tournament James Forncrook - Beaverton Sharks | Coach of the Tournament Bobby Ramirez - Seattle Mermaids |
| Team Sportsmanship GSCD Emeralds | Team Sportsmanship Pirate Ladies |
| 1st Team All Stars Matt Spurgeon - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat Henry Cdebaca - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat Saul Gevarter - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat - Jesse Mata - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat Tony Campbell - Beaverton Sharks Richard Jacobs – Beaverton Sharks Mark Tarchuck - Beaverton Sharks Jesse Connor – Tacoma Ryan Schelat – Tacoma Eric Kunze - Portland | 1st Team All Stars Misty Leber - Seattle Mermaids Angel Cook - Seattle Mermaids Nita Nampers - Seattle Mermaids Olivia Mackay - Seattle Mermaids Alicia Johnson – San Francisco Stingers Christina Morgan – San Francisco Stingers Elizabeth Martinez – San Francisco Stingers Cayla Cox – Portland Kara Brown – Portland Nikki Shaver – Shooting Stars |
| 2nd Team All Stars Cory Fletcher - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat Scott Chappell - Hoy's Boys/Team Combat Pat Tarchuk – Beaverton Sharks Paul Kennedy – Beaverton Sharks Sean Dugan – Tacoma Matt Lewandoski – Tacoma Brian Beardon – Portland Nathan Boyes – Portland Robert McArthur – Vancouver Venom Robert Roth – Vancouver Venom | 2nd Team All Stars Beth Ticehurst – San Francisco Stingers Jasmie Alivor – San Francisco Stingers Candace Davis – Seattle Amy Blades – Seattle Emily Heinemann – Portland Irinia Olesksiyenko – Portland Kathy Wilson – Shooting Stars Rosey Duffy – Shooting Stars Chelsey Slye – Pirate Ladies Marci Alltop – Pirate Ladies |

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