



2018 MARCH MADNESS FASTPITCH TOURNAMENT AT THE BARRIE SPORTS DOME

Rick and Marlene Silver and The Silver Star Sports and Entertainment Group in partnership with Chris Meyer and UTM Fastpitch, the Aurora Diggers U19 and coach Ryan Barnett are honored to host our fifth indoor **SOLD OUT** PWSA sanctioned exhibition tournament featured inside the Barrie Sports Dome on March 10 & 11 from 7:30am-9:00pm.

All players are required to register online at www.utmfastpitch.com in advance to avoid a bottleneck in the lobby of the dome and must have a valid Certificate of Insurance (All Sport Insurance) issued and insured by the Provincial Women's Softball Association of Ontario in order to play in this tournament.

The Dome will be open daily at 7:30am for those teams playing early games to registration and warm up. Please follow the warm up schedule that will be posted for use of the small and big side of the dome.

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GENERAL INFORMATION/RULES

Teams must register rosters **IN ADVANCE** and confirm 30 minutes prior to their first game if any changes are necessary.

Protective Gear, Helmets are compulsory for all players while on deck, at bat and while running the bases.

Home team will be decided by a coin toss at the pre-game meeting with the umpire for all games. The home team keeps the official score, although both teams should concur on the scores submitted to the convener. The winning team will submit the final score to the convener's table.

We will be using real balls, some games will be on back to back diamonds so players are asked to respect any ball that comes into play from the game, must give way to the outfielders. For added provisions, outfielders are required to wear helmets for safety persuasions.

Players **MUST** stay within their designated bench area, behind protective screens. Spectators must stay outside foul areas.

All coaches are required to work together during warm-up to ensure every team has enough space required.

NO CLEATS PERMITTED IN THE DOME, the players can wear indoor turf shoes or running shoes.

There are a few bleachers inside the Dome for parents to sit and watch and everyone will be close to the action so please be paying attention at all times and be ready to give others a heads up.

Any ball hitting the ceiling within the bases is deemed a foul ball – Any ball hit the ceiling outside the diamonds will be considered fair. Umpires will go over this in detail with all coaches present at the coaches meeting prior to the start, please relay these rules to your players.

BATTING ORDER, All players must bat in the line-up and unlimited substitutions will be used.

Teams may play with 8 players. If a player is injured, they are to be removed from the batting line up with **NO** automatic out in the player's position. Once a player is removed, they cannot re-enter the batting line up.

No Mercy Rule in affect.

TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND FORMAT

This Weekend action packed softball tournament has gained momentum yearly and now structured to allow every team to play (3) three games guaranteed.

- All Game Structures will be Supplied Online in Advance.

GAME TIMES & TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES

All games will be 1 hour and 15 minutes drop dead.

The umpire will be the official time keeper.

OFFICIAL UMPIRE – IN CHIEF

Peter Kluszczynski – Umpire – In Chief - 2018 March Madness Tournament.

NO PROTESTS. THE UMPIRE'S DECISIONS WILL BE FINAL. ONE UMPIRE WILL BE USED PER GAME!

2018 MARCH MADNESS EVENT HOSTS

Aurora Diggers U19 Rep Team AND Coach Ryan Barnett



SPONSORS

GoodLife Fitness: Will be handing out GoodLife Fitness apparel and free trial memberships complementary to all registered players, guests and siblings.

Mr. Subs: Will be making fresh subs on site at the Dome complementary to all registered players. Every player will be given a lunch voucher during registration.

Patty D Boys Graphics: Will provide all the artwork branding and posters.

THE CONVENERS

(The Silver Star Sports and Entertainment Group, Marlene and Rick Silver and UTM Fastpitch) reserve the right to amend the tournament format should unforeseen circumstances prevail.

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TORONTO MAPLE LEAF FUNDRAISING PACKAGE - ONLINE SILENT AUCTION

Includes:

- *Two Toronto Maple Leaf Tickets (Wednesday March 28th) vs Florida Panthers.
- *A stretch Limo: Pick up and Drop off – *Toronto and Surrounding Area Restrictions.
- *Bottle of Champaign
- *\$100 Dollar Keg Certificate

REMINDERS

NO CLEATS PERMITTED IN THE DOME, the players can wear indoor turf shoes or running shoes.

The first games will start promptly see Format. If your team is late for the first game we will have a 10 minute grace period prior to be given a default loss.

NO MEDICAL staff on duty please bring your own first aid kit!!!

Finally, HAVE FUN!! This is not a competitive tournament... it is a tournament designed to break up winter training, and give coaches and players an opportunity to see where their teams strengths and weaknesses are heading into the final months of winter training!!!

*PWSA/Softball Canada rules shall be used except as contradicted by these rules.

