

## Additional Information

The Brakettes Softball Clinics offer girls an excellent opportunity to improve their softball talents and polish their skills. Registration is limited and girls receive the maximum attention.

Participants must bring their own gloves and shoes. For the offense-hitting sessions, bring a batting glove. You may bring your own bat.

In addition to *Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field*, we are using Short Beach Recreation Complex, which is one-half mile down the road. After 10 a.m. at the complex, they will be checking for parking stickers. All you have to do is tell the attendant you are attending the Brakettes Softball Clinic to gain free admittance.

In the event of inclement weather, rain dates will be established to complete each session. It will be either the next day or a Saturday morning. We may also use an indoor facility. If a session is postponed, we will call you. If in doubt, call our office (203) 378-7262 or check the Brakettes website, [www.brakettes.com](http://www.brakettes.com).

No refunds will be permitted once a session has been filled or within 10 days of its scheduled start, whichever comes first. However, refunds will be granted if we are unable to complete a session because of inclement weather. We do not call to confirm registrations, only if a session is filled.

All participants will receive a Stratford Brakettes YOUTH CLUB season pass that is good for one FREE admission to every home game on the regular-season schedule. It doesn't include the post-season tournament, August 6-9.

The refreshment stand and souvenir booth will be open throughout the clinics.



### Directions to Short Beach and DeLuca Fields

#### From New York and Points South:

Take 95 to exit 30 Lordship Boulevard. At bottom of exit continue straight thru traffic light-continuing straight until you can't go anymore (approximately 1-1 1/4 miles, Dunkin Donuts on the left).

TO SHORT BEACH: Take a right at the light, continue straight, the airport will be on your right. At the top of the bend in the road take a left into Short Beach Complex.

TO DELUCA FIELD: Take a left at the light, go straight and DeLuca Field is on the right.

#### From New Haven and Points North:

Take 95 to exit 31 South Avenue. At bottom of exit take a left, continue straight to traffic light. At light take a right onto Main Street and continue straight. Go through two traffic lights, DELUCA FIELD will be just past the lights on your left. For SHORT BEACH FIELD, go past DeLuca and continue straight, airport will be on your right. At the top of the bend in the road take a left into Short Beach Complex.

### 2008 STRATFORD BRAKETTES

#### GAME SCHEDULE

June 4- v. CT. Panthers	(2)	7 p.m.
June 5- v. New Jersey Elite	(2)	7 p.m.
June 6- v. New Jersey Elite	(2)	12 noon

June 13- at Tipton VIPs	(2)	7 p.m.
June 14- at Allentown Spirit	(2)	12 noon

June 18- v. CT. Panthers	(2)	7 p.m.
June 19- v. H.S. All Stars	(1-9 inn.)	6:30 p.m.
June 20- v. New York Freedom	(2)	6 p.m.
June 21- v. Tradition U23	(2)	6 p.m.

June 25- v. G.C. Hurricanes (FL)	(2)	6 p.m.
June 26- v. TBA	(2)	7 p.m.
June 27- v. Tipton VIPs	(2)	7 p.m.
June 28- v. Tipton VIPs	(2)	12 noon

July 2- at NPF Philadelphia Force	(1)	7 p.m.
July 3- at NPF Philadelphia Force	(1)	7 p.m.
July 4- at Tipton July 4 <sup>th</sup> Tournament		TBA
July 5- at Tipton July 4 <sup>th</sup> Tournament		TBA

July 9- v. Tradition U23	(2)	7 p.m.
July 10- v. CT Mirage	(2)	7:30 p.m.
July 11- v. Allentown Spirit	(2)	7 p.m.
July 12- v. Allentown Spirit	(2)	12 noon

July 16- v. Polar Crush	(2)	6:30 p.m.
July 17- v. B.A.T.S.	(2)	7 p.m.
July 18- v. Western NY Extreme	(2)	7 p.m.
July 19- v. Western NY Extreme	(2)	12 noon

July 23- v. Mirage Gold	(2)	6:30 p.m.
July 24- v. TBA	(2)	7 p.m.
July 25- v. T.C. Tremors	(2)	7 p.m.
July 26- v. T.C. Tremors	(2)	12 noon

July 30- v. CT. Panthers	(2)	6 p.m.
August 1- v. B.A.T.S.	(2)	7 p.m.

August 4- v. St. Louis Saints	(2)	7 p.m.
August 5- v. Bloomington, IL	(2)	TBA

August 6-9- Women's Major Invitational National Championship at DeLuca & Short Beach		TBA
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*Except for the weekend of June 13-14 and July 2-5, the Stratford Brakettes will be home for the entire 2009 season at Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field in Stratford, CT.*

# 2009

## BRAKETTES SOFTBALL CLINICS



Girls: Age 8 thru  
High School Seniors

### 6 SESSIONS

June 29-30	Beginning Pitching
July 2	Catching
July 6-7	Beginning Pitching
July 9-10	Advanced Pitching
July 13-14	Offense/Hitting
July 16-17	Defense/Fielding

At

Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field  
and Short Beach Rec Complex  
in Stratford, Connecticut

## CLINIC REGISTRATION FORM

Complete this form and mail it to us with your check.

If you have any questions,  
please give us a call at (203) 378-7262.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

( \_\_\_\_\_ )

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

### Check Sessions:

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|--------------------------|----|----------------------------------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | #1 | Beginning Pitching<br>June 29-30 | \$90.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | #2 | Catching<br>July 2               | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | #3 | Beginning Pitching<br>July 6-7   | \$90.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | #4 | Advanced Pitching<br>July 9-10   | \$90.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | #5 | Offense/Hitting<br>July 13-14    | \$90.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | #6 | Defense/Fielding<br>July 16-17   | \$90.00 |

Make Checks Payable to:

**BRACKETTES SOFTBALL**

Mail this form to: Bob Baird  
Brakettes Softball  
185 Lordship Road  
Stratford, CT 06615

## Clinic Outline

The Brakettes Softball Clinic is for girls 8-years-old through high school seniors. It will be staged at two sites, Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field and the Short Beach Recreation Complex, within one-half mile of each other in Stratford, CT.

DeLuca Field is the home of the amateur Stratford Brakettes, who have won 28 National ASA titles and three World Championships in their 62-year history. Ten former Brakettes were members of the 2000 and 2004 U.S.Olympic softball teams that captured the gold medal in Sydney, Australia and Athens, Greece.

The Brakettes Softball Clinic features two identical beginning pitching sessions (#1 and #3), one advanced pitching session (#4) and catching (#2). Advanced pitching is for those who have previous varsity experience and/or have mastered the basic pitching motion and the body mechanics. Feel free to attend any/all of the pitching sessions. We will start with the fundamentals of pitching, developing a motion and progress through the different grips and spins used in the rise ball, drop and change of pace.

Session #5 deals with all aspects of offense/hitting, and Session #6 covers defense, fielding and throwing. Numerous drills also will be used and situations will be covered. Each session is two days, running from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, except the one-day catching session.



### Clinic Costs

SESSION #1 9:30 a.m.- 12 noon  
JUNE 29-30 (Mon./Tues.) \$90.00

(BEGINNING PITCHING)

SESSION #2 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
JULY 2 (Wed.) \$50.00

(CATCHING)

SESSION #3 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
JULY 6-7 (Mon./Tues.) \$90.00

(BEGINNING PITCHING)

SESSION #4 9:30 A.M.-12 noon  
JULY 9-10 (Thurs./Fri.) \$90.00

(ADVANCED PITCHING)

NOTE: Pitching and catching sessions will be staged at *Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field*. The fee for the pitching session includes a *Dudley Softee* ball which all participants receive. They are excellent for indoor-outdoor use.

SESSION #5 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
JULY 13-14 (Mon./Tues.) \$90.00

(OFFENSE/HITTING)

SESSION #6 9:30 a.m.-12 noon  
JULY 16-17 (Thurs./Fri.) \$90.00

(DEFENSE/FIELDING)

NOTE: Sessions #5 and #6 will be staged at the Short Beach Recreation Complex.

### SPECIAL DISCOUNTS

Attend any 3 sessions- \$15.00 off  
Attend any 4 sessions- \$20.00 off  
Attend any 5 sessions- \$25.00 off

## Brakettes Clinic Staff

The Brakettes are dedicated to being the absolute best in women's fast pitch softball. This statement rings true when speaking of the recruiting of new players, carrying on the team's winning and historic tradition, and in improving the best in instruction to young players and coaches alike.

Official Brakettes' clinics provide the latest in women's fast pitch softball instructional techniques. Clinics are conducted by some of the top Division I softball players from around the country, several former professional league players, elite-level stars, and top coaches.

Manager John Stratton has had experience at many ASA Nationals, ISF Women's World Championships, and in the National Pro Fastpitch League as well. His accolades include being a former star pitcher on the National Champion Raybestos Cardinals men's fast pitch team, winning six National Championships as Brakettes' manager, and two ISF World Championships as a coach, as well as appearing in many NCAA Regional Championships with Florida Atlantic University.

Former Division II All-America baseball player Jay Stratton and long-time softball clinician Rich Roessner, both Brakettes' coaches, are on the clinic staff. Pitchers Bailey Sanders, Rachel Fico, and Danielle Henderson will be present, while former LSU All-America and five-year Brakettes catcher Killian Roessner, ASA all-stars Mandy Fishback of FAU and Denise Denis of UMass are also on the clinic staff.

The Brakettes also are available for clinics at your location. Call Bob Baird for information and rates at (203) 378-7262.