

## Additional Information

The Brakettes Softball Clinics offer girls an excellent opportunity to improve their softball talents and polish their skills. Registration is limited to 30 girls per session 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 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. The 2014 schedule is on our website.

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

## Directions to DeLuca Field

### 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 Donut on the left). 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

## 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.

Manager John Stratton has had experience at many levels, 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 fastpitch team, winning 12 National Championships as Brakettes' manager, and two ISF World titles as a coach, as well as appearing in many NCAA Regionals at Florida Atlantic University.

Brandice Balschmitter, a former UMass All-America, Emily Weiman of North Carolina State and South Windsor's Allyson Fournier, the Division III Player of the Year at Tufts in 2013, will headline the pitching clinic, while Brakettes standouts Mandy Fishback of FAU, Jess Mouse of LSU, Elise Fortier of Fordham, and Denis Denis of UMass are some of the players who will be at the other sessions.

# 2014

# Brakettes Softball Clinics



### Girls: Age 8 thru High School Seniors

5 Sessions	
June 30-July 1	Beginning Pitching
July 3	Catching
July 7-8	Offense/Hitting
July 10-11	Defense/Fielding
July 14-15	Beginning Pitching
<b>At Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field in Stratford, Connecticut</b>	

## 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: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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

### Check Sessions:

( ) #1 Beginning Pitching \$90.00  
June 30-July 1 Mon./Tues.

( ) #2 Catching \$50.00  
July 3 Thurs.

( ) #3 Offense/Hitting \$90.00  
July 7-8 Mon./Tues.

( ) #4 Defense/Fielding \$90.00  
July 10-11 Thurs./Fri.

( ) #5 Beginning Pitching \$90.00  
July 14-15 Mon./Tues.

### 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 Frank DeLuca Hall of Fame Field in Stratford, CT.

DeLuca Field is home of the Stratford Brakettes, who have won 32 National titles and three Women's World Championships in their 68-year history. Ten former members of the Brakettes were members of the 2000 and 2004 U.S. Olympic softball teams that captured Gold medals in Sydney, Australia, and Athens, Greece.

The Brakettes Softball Clinic features five sessions this year with two identical Beginning Pitching Sessions (#1 and #5), one Catching Session (#2), and skills sessions in Offense & Hitting (#3) and Defense & Fielding (#4).

The Beginning pitching sessions deal with the fundamentals of pitching, developing a motion and progresses through the different grips and spins used in throwing the rise ball, drop, and change of pace.

All the fundamentals of catching will be covered in Session #2.

Session #3 deals with all aspects of hitting and Session #4 covers defense, fielding, and throwing. Numerous drills will be used and situations will be covered.

Each session is two days from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

## Clinic Costs

**SESSION #1- 9:30 a.m.-12 noon**  
**BEGINNING PITCHING**  
**JUNE 30-JULY 1** Mon./Tues.

\$90.00

**SESSION #2- 9:30 a.m.-12 noon**  
**CATCHING**  
**JULY 3** Thurs.

\$50.00

**SESSION #3- 9:30 a.m.-12 noon**  
**OFFENSE & HITTING**  
**JULY 7-8** Mon./Tues.

\$90.00

**SESSION #4- 9:30 a.m.- 12 noon**  
**DEFENSE & FIELDING**  
**JULY 10-11** Thurs./Fri.

\$90.00

**SESSION #5- 9:30 a.m.- 12 noon**  
**BEGINNING PITCHING**  
**JULY 14-15** Mon./Tues.

\$90.00

*NOTE: The fee for the pitching session includes a Dudley Softball ball which all participants receive. They are excellent for indoor-outdoor use.*

### **SPECIAL DISCOUNTS**

**Attend all 5 sessions- \$30 OFF**  
**Attend any 4 sessions-\$25 OFF**  
**Attend any 3 sessions-\$20 OFF**  
**Attend any 2 sessions-\$15 OFF**