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Breaking: NCSA Extends World Series Event in Columbus, GA

Pittsburgh, PA -- It is with great excitement that the National Club Softball Association announces that as the NCSA World Series event remains in Columbus, Georgia at the South Commons Softball Complex for at least 2019 and 2020, the event has been extended to a four day tournament, beginning pool play on Thursday and culminating with championship day on Sunday.

For the past several years, the NCSA World Series has been a 3-day event, but moving forward it will last 4 days in order to make the game schedule a bit more relaxed. The change allows teams more time to rest between games and time to enjoy the city of Columbus.

"After receiving overwhelming endorsement from the 2018 NCSA World Series teams, we decided to move forward with extending the championship event to a 4-day tournament and we are so grateful that we were able to work together



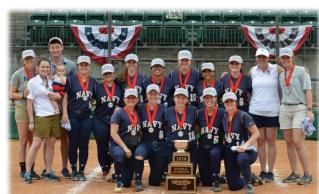
with the Columbus Sports Council to make this happen for 2019 and 2020," said NCSA VP of Softball Operations, Savannah Ahrens. "The South Commons Softball Complex has proven to be nothing short of perfect since moving the event to Columbus in 2010. I look forward to seeing how the extension of the tournament will increase the competition level and the overall experience for our teams and their fans. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to being able to enjoy more of everything Columbus, GA has to offer, on and off the field!"



Columbus, Georgia was the site of the 1996 Olympic Women's Fast-pitch Softball Competition. The South Commons Softball Complex has eight fields, including a five-field hub with a roundhouse and a three field fan with a stadium, indoor score booths, concessions, and restrooms. The outstanding facilities, countless dining options, and nightlife along with the southern hospitality provided by the Columbus Sports Council make Columbus an ideal location for this tournament. The NCSA has

held its World Series at the complex since 2009.

"The Columbus Sports Council and our amazing city, is very excited to host the National Club Softball Association World Series," says David Boyd, CSC Event Manager. "This will be the 10th World Series in Columbus Georgia and it just keeps getting better every year. We look forward to working with the NCSA Staff, seeing the returning and new teams along with their families. It is not just a World Series, but a World Series Experience that we are proud to be a part of."



More information on the 2019 NCSA World Series will be released at <u>clubsoftball.org</u> as the event draws nearer. Any questions regarding the event can be directed to NCSA VP of Softball Operations, Savannah Ahrens.

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