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Thunder on the Greens Monday, May 12, 2008

We are getting close to the first annual Colorado Springs Thunder golf tournament. If you haven't yet signed yourself or your team up please do so soon. Make sure you secure a spot to come out and enjoy the fun. Each player will enjoy lunch, 2 free drinks, and a fun round of golf with some great prizes. As a bonus, each player will also receive an additional free round to come back and play

18 holes at Kings Deer golf course for a future date. This is a \$40 value. We have sold some awesome foursomes, and the competition will be fun for all. If you have some friends that are golfers this is a great bargain for them, and an excellent fundraiser to help your team raise some extra money to help defray team costs. Please go to the thunder web site under news and announcements to sign

up today. We are also looking for sponsorships for this golf tournament. If you have a business or know of someone who would like to advertise to coaches and players please sign them up to be a tee sign sponsor. Again, sponsor sheets can be found, and downloaded at www.csthunder.org

We look forward to a great tournament and some great times. See you on the greens!

Tournaments — And the Thunder

The CST tournaments for 2008 are:

Thunder at the Rock - Completed

Jelly Bean - Completed

Memorial Day Bash

Hosted by 14U Schroeder, May 24 and 25
open to all classes and ages—Qualifier.

Thunder down Under

Hosted by Kris Johnson, June 7 & 8
open to all ages—Qualifier.

Plan to attend, and support all the teams in these tournaments

Rules—Ask the Ump

How many conferences do you get?

CHARGED CONFERENCE

A. Defense - Each team when on defense, may be granted not more than three charged conferences without penalty during a seven-inning game to permit coaches or their representatives from the bench to confer with a defensive player or players. In any extra inning game, each team shall be permitted one charged conference without penalty each inning while on defense. The number of charged conferences is not cumulative. A coach, player, substitute or an attendant may make a request for time for a conference. This defensive team charged conference is effective when the ball first becomes alive at the start of each half inning.

PENALTY: AFTER THREE CHARGED CONFERENCES IN A SEVEN INNING GAME, OR FOR ANY CHARGED CONFERENCE IN EXCESS OF ONE IN EACH EXTRA INNING, THE PITCHER SHALL BE REMOVED AS A PITCHER FOR THE DURATION OF THE GAME.

B. Offensive - Each team, when on offense, may be granted not more than one charged conference per inning to permit the coach or any of that team's personnel to confer with the base runners, the batter, the ondeck batter or other offensive team personnel. The umpire shall deny any subsequent offensive team request for charged conferences. This offensive team charged conference rule is effective when the ball first becomes alive in each half inning

C. Not charged

1. Time granted for an obviously incapacitated player shall not constitute a charged conference.
2. A conference is not charged when the pitcher is removed as a pitcher.
3. If a dugout representative confers with any player during a charged conference of the other team and is ready to play ball when the other team is ready.

Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't, you're right.

Henry Ford

Trivia Question

List the 7 ways a batter can reach first base other than a base hit

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Don't let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.

John Wooden

Thunder BOOM

Thunder team results for tournaments this year.

18UB 1st Place— USSSA Jelly Bean

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16UB—2nd Place—USSSA Jelly Bean

16UB—2nd Place USSSA Rage Rumble

14UB Johnson—1st Place Tie—USSSA Jelly Bean

14UB Johnson—3rd Place USSSA Spring Time

14UB Bagley—2nd Place USSSA Jelly Bean

14UC—2nd Place USSSA Jelly Bean

14UC—2nd Place USSSA Spring Time

14UC—1st Place T/C Spring Stampede

12UB - 3rd Place—USSSA Jelly Bean

12UB—3rd Place T/C Spring Stampede

TEAMS GREAT JOB! Keep the THUNDER ROLLING!!!

Player of the Month

Emily Jennings was born June 22, 1993, and was raised here in Colorado Springs. Emily started her 'round' ball career in baseball from t-ball to little league. She was the first girl to be selected on the Academy Little League All-Star team three years in a row. She competed in the Southwest Regional Tournament in Waco, Texas, and in her last year of baseball she hit an incredible six homeruns.

This is Emily's third year playing fast pitch softball. She started with Travis Peterson on his 14U team, and continues to play for Travis on his 16U A team. Emily is currently a freshman at Liberty High School. She played for her school's Varsity Softball team, and was team manager for Liberty's Varsity Baseball team. Emily also plays basketball, and



played for her schools freshman/JV team. In addition to softball, Emily enjoys playing golf, tennis, and reading. Her favorite softball memory was last year when she hit her first softball homerun over the UCCS fence during a tournament.

Emily hopes to one day be able to attend either Texas A&M or Arizona, and her favorite athlete is Monica Abbott because of her physical talent, and her strong mental attitude.

Player of the Month

Taylor Lee for 10U Wall

1. List some special interests Taylor likes snowboarding, reading, math, horseback riding and jumping on the trampoline.
2. How long have you lived in the area? 3 years in June, we moved from California.
3. How long have you been playing softball? I played t-ball, and coach pitch in California, and started fast pitch last year.
4. What's your favorite softball memory? Getting 2 outs in a row when I played 2nd base last year.
5. What other sports do you play? I have played soccer and basketball. I would like to try volleyball. I also enjoy swimming

and biking.

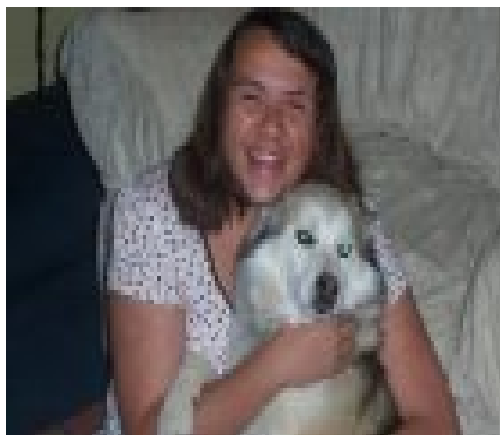
6. If you could attend any college, and play softball there where would you pick? I haven't thought that far ahead. I want to go to college, and I want to get a scholarship for academics and softball.
7. Which college player, (current or past), do you admire the most and why? I really like Jenny Finch. She is a really good player, and she is smart as well.
8. Tell us something unique about yourself. This is purely subjective, and should be something neat about yourself that others may not know. Taylor loves school. She is an avid reader, and has the highest AR reading points in her class.

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Player of the Month

Laina Salani plays for the Thunder-Struck (14b Bagley) as a pitcher, first base & outfield. She was born & raised here in Colorado Springs, & has played competitive softball for 4 years, 3 of which have been with the Thunder organization. Laina is 13 years old and attends Divine Redeemer Catholic School. She is currently in the 7th grade. Laina enjoys school & has been on the high honor roll every quarter since entering junior high. She also plays basketball & volleyball for the Divine Redeemer Cardinals.

She enjoys acting & the theatre. She can currently be seen on stage as the Queen of Hearts, in her school's production of "Alice in Wonderland". As an aspiring writer,



Laina recently placed 2nd out of 300+ students in a city-wide short story writing contest sponsored by the Pikes Peak Library District.

Laina has a special interest in magic. She has been performing magic tricks since the age of 5. She also has a strong interest in history & archeology, & hopes to pursue a teaching career in the future. In her spare time, she loves to play with her

dog, a Chow/Husky mix named Jack Black.

— Laina's favorite softball memory is going to the Softball Hall of Fame last year, when her Thunderstruck team attended a Triple Crown tournament in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Laina & her teammates also attended the College World Series, where she met Olympic pitcher Monica Abbott, and watched her pitch for the Tennessee Vols. Laina's long-term goal is to pitch for the Texas Longhorns & the U.S. Olympic Softball team.

Player of the Month

Erin Bradley

1.Special Interests? AFA sports (basketball, football)

2.How long have you lived in the area?

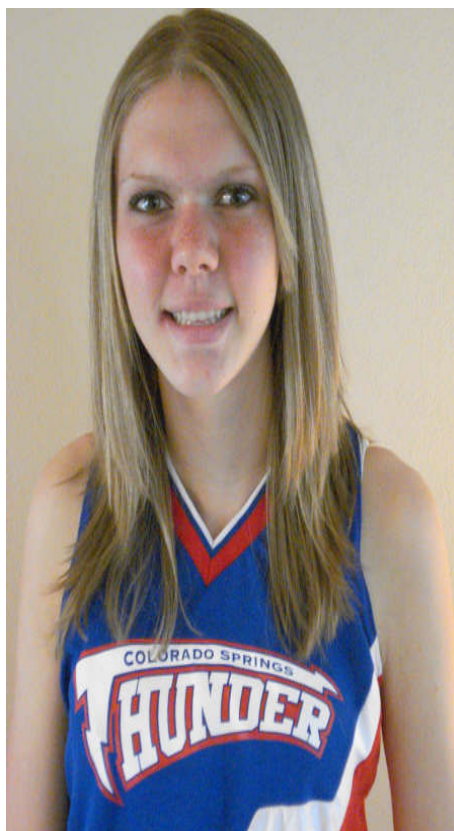
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(kindergarten, age 5)

3.How long have you been playing softball? 3 years

4.Favorite softball memory? Winning a tournament coming out of losers bracket (intense!)

5. If you could Attend any college and play softball what would it be? Actually, CSU. I'm



interested in a state school, and their softball program is pretty good.

7.Favorite college player?

Jennie Finch! She has become an amazing, famous softball player, and done so many things. She was in the Olympics, was a two-time world champion, a world cup champion, and much more!

8.Something interesting about myself. I hiked to the top of Pikes Peak, and the bottom of the Grand Canyon. Also, don't let my blonde hair fool you! I'm in NJHS and I'm proud of my good grades .

