



HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (HBCU)

2008 Tournament Results

The 2nd Annual HBCU Coed Softball Tournament hosted by the Triangle HBCU Alumni Chapters of Elizabeth City State University (ECSU), Hampton University (HU), Howard University (HU), North Carolina A&T State University (NCA&TSU), North Carolina Central University (NCCU), St. Augustine's College (SAC), Shaw University (SU), and Winston Salem State University (WSSU) was played on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at Valley Springs Park Softball Complex in Durham, NC. The tournament started at 8:30am with Mr. Earl Horton, Tournament Coordinator kicking off with the welcomes, introductions and many thanks to the co-sponsors of the tournament Radio-One and Durham Parks and Recreation.

The tournament began at 9:00am with the first four teams arriving; SU Bears drew to play the HU Pirates and WSSU Rams drew to play NCA&TSU Aggies. The Bears squeezed out a one run win over the Pirates by a score of 12 to 11, while the Aggies had an easier victory over the Rams by a score of 32 to 2. SAC Falcons were not able to make the tournament and HU Bisons were short on players, so they combined to play with NCCU Eagles. In the third game, ECSU Vikings defeated Eagles/Bisons by a score of 16 to 8 to move to the championship game. The Aggies defeated the Bears in game 4 by the score of 9 to 4 to move to the championship game to play the Vikings.

In the consolation bracket, Pirates defeated Rams by a score of 20 to 8 in game 5 and the Eagles/Bisons defeated Bears by the score of 12 to 8 in game 6 and then the Eagles/Bisons easily defeated Pirates by a score of 20 to 0 in game 7 to win the consolation bracket.

The Honorable Mayor William "Bill" Bell of Durham kicked off the Celebrity Game by throwing out the first pitch, where Radio One squeezed out a long hard battle over CW Network by a score of 11 to 10 in the Celebrity Game.

In the Championship Game, the well-rested Vikings defeated the injured plagued Aggies by a score of 26 to 13. The ECSU Vikings was crowned 2008 HBCU Coed Tournament Champions with the NCA&TSU Aggies named Tournament Runner-Up followed by the Eagles/Bisons finished third, followed by SU Bears, followed by the Pirates and followed by the Rams.

Thanks to all the volunteers for making this event possible. Thanks to Doug Boyd, Colonel's Cookin' for catering the teams' luncheon with his exquisite (finger lickin') food and thanks to the vendors for coming out and supporting us this year. Special thanks to all the alumni, family and friends who came out and supported their school and the tournament. We look forward to a bigger and better tournament next year, stay tuned.

2008 HBCU SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT BRACKET

Final Standings

ECSU	2 - 0
NCA&TSU	2 - 1
NCCU/HU	2 - 1
SU	1 - 1
HU	1 - 2
WSSUU	0 - 2

1 Shaw U. 12

GAME 1 9:00 AM

Shaw U. 4

2 Hampton U. 11

GAME 4 11:30 PM

NCA&TSU 13

3 WSSU 2

GAME 2 9:00 AM

NCA&TSU 9

4 NCA&TSU 32

GAME 9 4:15 PM

ECSU

5 NCCU/Howard U. 8

GAME 3 10:30 AM

ECSU

6 ECSU 16

ECSU 26

7

8

CW 22 10

CELEBRITY GAME 3:00 PM

Radio One

Hampton U. 20

GAME 5 11:50 AM

Hampton U. 0

WSSU 8

GAME 7 3:15 PM

NCCU/Howard U.

NCCU/Howard U. 12

GAME 6 2:00 PM

NCCU/Howard U. 20

Shaw U. 8