



THE SCOUTING REPORT



Dates to Remember in August:

- **Aug 8:** NCFA Phone Day
- **Aug 14:** Suite 301
- **Aug 15:** NCBA Phone Day, NCFA Fall Previews Due
- **Aug 22:** NCSA Phone Day
- **Aug 29:** Preseason NCFA Poll Released

DID YOU KNOW...

THIS YEAR MARKED THE THIRD STRAIGHT YEAR THAT A FORMER NCBA STUDENT-ATHLETE WAS SELECTED IN THE MLB DRAFT.

Richardson Extends Contract and Becomes the "Official Headwear of CollClubSports"

CollClubSports is excited to announce their contract extension with Richardson Cap Company. This agreement runs through the 2016 season and makes Richardson the "Official Headwear of CollClubSports." Richardson has been providing the team sports industry with top of the line performance headwear for 40 years. They "sweat the details," because they know the work and determination that goes into athletic success. This effort translates into high-quality products.

Vice President of Sales for Richardson Steve Alford had this to say about the new deal: "We are very excited that the NCBA has once again chosen Richardson to be the exclusive baseball on-field cap of choice. We look forward to another great year not just for baseball, but for all sports associated with the entire CollClubSports organization."

Richardson gives teams the opportunity to customize their products in a number of different ways, including fit, size, style, fabric, color, and embroidery. Certain styles allow everything to be customized, including panel, eyelet, and piping colors, hat brim style and colors, and even front and side designs. Even the embroidery has custom options, in case you want several colors or even a

3-dimensional logo! Richardson even offers customizable visors for our softball teams! Looking for team headwear for the coldest months of the year? Check out the beanies that Richardson has to offer. They come in a plethora of styles, color options, and materials including knit, fleece, and microfleece. They even offer ear bands and skull caps for under your batting and football helmets! All headwear will include the respective league logo on the back free of charge, compliments of CollClubSports, the NCBA, NCSA, NCFA, and NCTFA.

Being the "Official Baseball Cap of the NCBA," Richardson hats remain the only "legal" cap for use during NCBA-sanctioned competition. Richardson has made CollClubSports an authorized dealer of their headwear, allowing the CollClubSports league members to purchase products at the best prices available, including \$1.00 off per item during the months of July through November! As an added bonus, Richardson offers a state-of-the-art Cap Designer on their website at <http://www.richardsoncap.com/designer>. This cap builder allows you to customize hats to your exact specifications all while seeing it happen right before your eyes! Once you have created the perfect cap,



you can save it and use the individualized style number you receive to place an order with CollClubSports. Be sure to order your Richardson headwear through Mitch Conner, Richardson Sponsor Account Manager at CollClubSports, to receive your discounted pricing! He can be reached at Mitch.Conner@CollClubSports.com and at 412-321-8440 ext.105.

"For the past 8 years, Richardson and the NCBA have partnered together to put our athletes in the best baseball caps on the market," said Sandy Sanderson, President of CollClubSports. "Through the signing of this new contract, we have further strengthened that relationship by making the best headwear on the market available to ALL of the CollClubSports member teams. And most importantly, since all orders will be handled directly through the CollClubSports office, we are able to assure our teams get the lowest price available on all Richardson products."

CollClubSports Player to Watch



Name: Brian Tanner
School: Coppin State University
Positions: Running Back
Scholastic Year: Sophomore
Major: Sports Medicine
Nickname: TanBone
Favorites:
Movie: Black Hawk Down
Collegiate Football Memory: Homecoming 2012 against Wesley College

Provide background of your career so far in college:
 - 2010—Freshman @Stevenson University; Owings Mills, MD (Developmental Year)
 - 2011—Freshman-Transfer @ CSU; Baltimore, MD (Inaugural Year)

- 2012—Sophomore @CSU; Baltimore,MD (President of Club Football, Team Captain, FeatureBack)

Can your team go all the way this year? Why?

Absolutely. It's cliché but we were a play or two away from contending for the champion-

ship last season. With that small success we were able to attract more high caliber athletes to our program. We've upgraded in every position. And it is really simple for us; this is year two. We've had a full off-season of preparation both physically and mentally.

What matchups are you most excited for this season?

I anticipate our meetings with Valley Forge and Navy (Sprint Team).

Are you excited about the NCFA's decision to determine a winner through the National Championship game instead of using the polls?

Absolutely, this is one of many steps to improve our league.

What is your outlook for your team this season? What are your goals/expectations?

We've taken the stance "Championship or failure." We

must first win our conference, then execute throughout the postseason. An undefeated season is the goal.

Anything else you would like to add?

A special thank you goes out to the following: Coach Joey Garner, CSU Head Coach; Dr. Edna D. Simmons, CSU Chairperson, Department of Health and Human Performance; Mitch Conner and Chris Girardi of CollClubSports and the NCFA.



NCBA, NCSA and DeMarini “Belt Out” a New Deal

The deal has just been finalized that makes DeMarini the “Official Baseball Bat” of both the NCBA and NCSA. After becoming a recognizable name nationwide through his ESPN hitting video, founder Ray DeMarini turned his focus to designing high-performance bats. While other producers provided the pros with the best bats and

ordinary bat for the public, DeMarini offered his high-performance bats to pros and amateurs alike. Then, in 1993, DeMarini produced the Double-wall, the first multi-wall bat. Its giant “sweet spot” helped even average players to hit like the pros. This innovation was the spark that has raised DeMarini to the top. Even after losing Ray DeMarini to cancer in 2001, his company continues to produce cutting-edge bat technology to keep DeMarini as a dominant force. They do it with “Insane Dedication to Performance.”

“For years the NCBA and DeMarini have partnered up to put some of the most powerful baseball bats in the hands of our ball players,” explains CollClubSports President Sandy Sanderson. “I am personally excited to be able to bring that relationship and those bats back to our teams. DeMarini bats are arguably the best on the market and I know our players will be thrilled by their performance once they get the bats in their hands. I’m also excited that we’ve been able to bring this long-time NCBA partner of ours over to the NCSA to help make these bats available to our softball members at exceptional prices!”

The NCBA and NCSA have become authorized DeMarini bat dealers. This enables them to offer teams the best pricing possible directly through the league. Individual orders can be placed at these exclusive prices by contacting

Global Business Director of DeMarini Bats Pat Ryan had this to say about the new deal: “We are very excited to be expanding our relationship with the NCBA and NCSA. DeMarini admires the efforts these club sport athletes put in to form a successful team and we are proud to see them take the field with our products. We are pleased to have teamed up with such a tremendous organization.”

Chris Girardi in the CollClubSports office. He can be reached at Chris.Girardi@CollClubSports.com and at 412-321-8440 ext. 102.



2012 BBCOR certified DeMarini VooDoo Baseball Bat

CollClubSports “Sticking” with SportDecals



CollClubSports and its National Club Baseball Association (NCBA), National Club Softball Association (NCSA), and National Club Football Association (NCFA) leagues are pleased to announce that they have signed a new contract with SportDecals, Inc through the 2015 season, making them the “Official Helmet Decal Supplier of CollClubSports.” SportDecals President Chris Gagnon had this to say about working with CollClubSports: “Our company has excelled for over 40 years by partnering with premier sports organizations like the NCBA, NCSA, and NCFA. Their excellence has allowed us to promise the fastest service,

highest quality, and lowest prices otherwise your order is free! We are excited to continue our partnership with CollClubSports and its leagues.”

SportDecals, Inc. is a family-owned and operated company that has been at the top of its class for over 40 years. Their promise is simple: “We simply provide the highest quality products, fastest service and lowest prices, or your order is free... GUARANTEED!” When you place an order, they always e-mail a proof of your artwork before printing. They will make as many changes as you want until you have the perfect design, for no extra cost!

With the new terms of the agreement, SportDecals will now offer any CollClubSports member team a free sample proof and league-specific logo as well as sending a sport-specific catalog at no charge! All your team has to do is

submit an online sample request form. Just go to <http://www.sportdecals.com/collclubsports> and fill out the page! In addition, CollClubSports teams have been provided their own hotline to contact SportDecals. The number is 1-866-608-9415 and is for the use of CollClubSports teams only.

As CollClubSports President Sandy Sanderson so finely puts it, “Nothing makes a uniform look more official than a helmet logo decal.” He explains, “Whether it’s a football helmet or a batter’s helmet, a good decal can really make the team look and feel professional. And now with SportDecals providing each member team with a custom sample, everyone will get to see firsthand why helmet decals are the perfect “finishing touch” for any uniform. Couple that with Sport-

Decals’ price match guarantee and it becomes obvious why they’re the perfect partner for CollClubSports!”

Additionally, for every helmet decal ordered by National Club Baseball Association (NCBA) member teams, SportDecals will include one NCBA league logo decal for the back of your helmet as well. Just mention code C11! National Club Softball Association (NCSA) teams will get the same deal by mentioning code C12. National Club Football Association (NCFA) member teams also receive the complimentary league logo decals for the back of your helmets by mentioning code C13. Teams, make sure to mention your code!



Be sure to contact SportDecals for a FREE sample and catalog! Don't miss out!

CollClubSports’ Employee Promotions!

Savannah Harp, NCSA Director of Softball Operations



“I wanted to let you all know how excited I am for my new position as Director of Softball Operations! As a former officer of the UGA Club Softball team, I gained a lot of respect and passion for the NCSA and what we do for club teams all over the country. I feel like this passion will continue over into my new position and I hope that I will be able to instill that passion in all of those affiliated with our league. With the addition of more regional playoffs this season, I am ecstatic about the growth that our league has seen over the past few years. I am looking forward to working with all of you this season!”

Eric Curitore, NCBA Assistant Director of Spring Training Operations



“I’m extremely excited for the opportunity to be more involved with Spring Training this coming year. The 4 years I participated in this event coupled with the time I spent down there last year helping have been some of the best times I’ve had in the NCBA. I have a tremendous passion for the event and look forward to working with all of our teams. Savannah has done a wonderful job making Spring Training a huge success. I’m excited to start working with her to make sure that 2013 will be our best event yet!”

Chris Girardi, NCFA Director of Football Team Development



“Gentlemen, I would first like to thank all of you for making my first year in the NCFA both extremely exciting and memorable. It is my absolute privilege to be working with such fine programs that not only continuously strive to make themselves better, but the league better as well. As the new Director of Football Team Development, it is my duty and privilege to continue working with both veteran teams and new teams across the country to ensure that our league not only grows, but lasts too. I am looking forward to my continued role as the Mid-Atlantic Conference coordinator and I am thrilled about my new responsibilities in assisting both new and current teams in their development. I wish the best of luck to you all this season!”

NCFA Week 1 Preview

CollClubSports challenged our resident NCFA Football experts to preview the NCFA games in Week 1 and to pick the winners of each match-up.

New Orleans Vs. Fort Benning

The New Orleans Privateers will have their hands full against Ft. Benning in Week 1. While the Privateers usually don't have any trouble scoring against club teams, they did allow teams to score 219 points against them in just 7 games last season. New Orleans' scoring average also dropped by almost 10 points last year, which definitely didn't help them when they played Chattahoochee in Week 11. While UNO did have a rough season last year, they do have the foundation return to a top 5 team again. The question is, will they be able to fix the issues on both sides of the ball in time to do that? Ft. Benning, an army club team out of Georgia, hasn't had

any problems dismantling collegiate teams in the past. With a high level of participation and community support, it doesn't look like the strength of The Hammer will be fading anytime soon.

Pick – Fort Benning over New Orleans



The University of New Orleans Privateers (left) take on the Fort Benning Hammer (right) club team in Week 1 action.

Coppin State Vs. Valley Forge

Valley Forge, a small military college out of PA, had an abysmal season last year. With an overall record of 1-6, Valley Forge scored an average of 10 points per game and gave up an average of 27 points on defense. Both Coppin and VF beat George Mason last season with similar scores, putting up at least 30 points on the Patriots. The Coppin State Eagles, who had a scoring average of 40 points per game last season, will most likely overpower Valley Forge's porous defense. Like Valley Forge, however, Coppin State also had its issues on defense. While the Eagles did have an impressive season last year, 5 of the teams they played were able to put up at least 27 points on them. This



The Coppin State Eagles' (left) offense has a favorable matchup against the defense of the Valley Forge Trojans (right) in Week 1.

nearly cost them the game in a few instances. If Coppin State can increase the effectiveness of their defense and maintain the potency that their offense had last year, they will not only be a major threat to Valley Forge, but to the rest of the league as well.

Pick – Coppin State over Valley Forge

New NCBA Division II Teams

NCBA Director of New Team Development Christian Smith has announced that the following **16 teams** have joined the NCBA for the upcoming 2013 season:

- Colorado School of Mines
- SUNY Cobleskill
- Monmouth University
- Rowan University
- Stevens Tech
- St. Joseph's University



- Orangeburg Calhoun Prep Academy
- University of South Carolina—Union
- Edison Community College
- Ohio State University (DII)
- Eastern Kentucky University
- Grand Valley State University
- Lake Superior State University
- Northern Michigan University
- University of Arkansas
- Houston Community College

*Looking for an easy fundraiser? **Domino's Delivering the Dough** is a risk-free way to raise cash for your team!*

*Here's how it works — You sell a card with 16 Buy One Get One Free coupons on it for \$10 per card and HALF of it goes to your team! The best part is, if you don't sell all of your cards, Domino's will buy them back! It's **risk free!** ADDED BONUS: Now you can make **\$8 per card!***

*Those interested should contact
BBI Marketing at
877-711-5088 or
info@bbibotelmarketing.com*



CollClubSports Equipment Pass-Along Program

Does your team have extra equipment you're not using? An old set of catchers gear? Old practice pants? A set of helmets you no longer use? Well, you can donate your extra gear to the CCS Equipment Pass-Along Program and help an Up-Start club team get their program off the ground. Email Info@CollClubSports.com to find out how.

NCSA World Series Changes

The NCSA World Series has changed its dates and location for next season! The games will now be played over the span of days from **May 17-19** at the **South Commons Softball Complex in Columbus, Georgia**. This information is also posted on the NCSA website www.clubsoftball.org under the 'World Series' tab.



The South Commons Softball Complex in Columbus, GA — new home of the NCSA World Series.