



The 2008 16&U Ohio AfterShock team includes: Pitchers: Jessica D'Apolito and Jordan Palumbo. Infielders: Amanda Colonna, Vickie Farris, Macy Uchino, Margo Uchino. Catchers: Megan Hirschbeck and Caitlin Keck. Outfielders: Mimi Cercone, Kelcie Herberger, Molly Martino, Jenna Modic, and Devan Zelonish

The Ohio Aftershock 16 & Under Girls Fastpitch Softball Team 2008 Season ended with a 1-0 loss to the Pittsburgh Spirit Gold in the Elite 8 round of the Pony Nationals on Thursday. The AfterShock Team had won their first game in the Sweet 16 earlier in the morning with a 2-1 victory over the NY Top Gun Team. This team of local girls finished the Tournament with a 6-1-1 record finishing the Tournament ranked fifth, out of the total of 78 Teams that entered the Pony Nationals Tournament. The Ohio AfterShock Team placed higher than any other area or Ohio Team in this National Tournament.

Most of the team members had played together in earlier age groups as part of the very successful Poland Pride travel team. These girls had previously won State Championships for Poland Pride as 10&U and again as

12&U teams. These Poland area girls dispersed to other Travel Teams and then reunited

and were joined with other girls from outside of Poland to form the Ohio AfterShock Girls Fastpitch Softball Organization in 2007.

The 2008 Team currently consists of girls from Poland, Cardinal Mooney, Canfield, Hubbard, and Jackson Milton local high schools.

The 2008 Travel Season finished with a 26 Wins, 6 losses, and 4 Ties. They finished in the Championship Finals in 5 of the 6 Tournaments they played in, winning the Canfield Tournament June 22nd. The girls were denied the opportunity to play and win in most of the Tournaments due to weather conditions on the last days of many of these tournaments.

The team was led by the pitching of Jordan Palumbo and Jessica D'Apolito who combined for an amazing 1.56 ERA.

Defense was critical to this team's success as the team combined for a .966% fielding average.

The Blue Storm

The 10-year-old Penn-Ohio Blue Storm Boys Team competed in a 3 on 3 Gus Macker Tournament on July 26 & 27, held at "The Cube" in Findlay, Ohio and came home with the Championship. The Blue Storm ended up with a 4-0 record over that weekend.



Pictured:

Coach Justin Magestro, Drew Magestro (Sharon), Jimmy Powers (Neshannock), Kyle Russell (Polk) and Ethan Moose (Neshannock)

Pair Wins Skating Medal

Ariana C. Zebrasky, 15, of Poland, representing the Ice Zone, (photo on the right) and her partner Paige DiToppa, also 15, of Monroeville, Pa., representing Center Ice and Blades, have won a Silver medal for their Shadow Dance at the 2008 Ice Dance Competition held at Lake Placid in New York on August 2, 2008.



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