**2008 Armstrong Atlantic Softball Schedule**

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<td>2008 Claflin Tournament (Orangeburg, S.C.)</td>
<td>vs. Brewton Parker vs. Savannah State</td>
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<td>Feb. 23-24</td>
<td>Sat.-Sun.</td>
<td>AASU Softball Invitational (Exhibition)</td>
<td>vs. Home Plate Athletics vs. Mavericks vs. Home Plate Athletics vs. Mavericks</td>
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<td>UNC Pembroke *</td>
<td>at SCAD Spring Break Smash Hit (Savannah, Ga.)</td>
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**Bold** - denotes a home game. All dates (except tournaments) are doubleheaders.

* - denotes Peach Belt Conference doubleheader.
Jacquie Crane  
Satellite Beach, Fla.  
Transfer from Brevard Community College ... Named first team All-Conference, All-State and Pitcher of the Year.

Sam Floyd  
Rossville, Ga.  
Transfer from Middle Tennessee State where she marked a .250 batting average in 2007 ... Recorded 44 strikeouts, allowing 114 hits in 102 innings pitched for a 7-7 record as a Blue Raider.

Jessica Miranda  
Downey, Calif.  
Played for Armstrong Atlantic in 2006 ... Collected 10 doubles, 25 RBIs and a .262 batting average ... Led the team with 40 balls.  

Sara Morris  
Petaluma, Calif.  
Played and started all 49 games for the Pirates in 2007 ... Talled 13 sacrifice bunts which tied her for sixth in the PBC ... Marked a .343 on base percentage ... PBC Presidential Honor Roll Honoree.

Courtney Tucker  
Bluffton, S.C.  
Made 18 appearances in the circle for the Pirates in 2007 ... Marked 32 strikeouts and allowed 62 hits in 59 innings pitched while marking a 6-1 record as a pitcher in 2007 ...PBC Presidential Honor Roll Honoree.

Ashley Bain  
Cleveland, Tenn.  
PBC All-Conference selection in 2007 ... All-Region Tournament Selection in 2007 ... Collected 32 RBIs, 11 doubles and 23 walks for a .355 batting average.

Kari Marsico  
Rapid City, S.D.  
Recorded 32 RBIs, seven home runs and led the team with 14 doubles, a number that tied her for 8th place in the PBC ... Talled a .310 batting average in 2007 ... PBC Presidential Honor Roll Honoree.

Stephanie Mattes  
Wellington, Fla.  
Transfer from Indian River Community College ... Second team All-State and All-Conference Honorable Mention Honoree for the Pioneers.

Rebekah Lewis  
South Pittsburg, Tenn.  
Played softball for four years for the Hawks of Richard Hardy High School ... Named to the Best of Preps Second team ... All-District selection.

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Kelsey Falcone  
Bradenton, Fla.  
A four year player for the Falcons of Saint Stephen’s Episcopal High School ... All-County First team selection 2006-07 ... Team Most Valuable Player 2003-07.

Erin Billingsley  
Buford, Ga.  
A four year player for the Knights of Centennial High School ... First team All-Region selection ... Two-time team Most Valuable Player ... Three time Scholar-Athlete.

Natalie Vogler  
Lynn Haven, Fla.  
All-Region Second team selection in 2007 ... All-Region Tournament team selection ... Collected a team leading 41 RBIs, 11 doubles and 23 walks ... Marked an impressive .361 batting average.

Nicole Huddleston  
Rossville, Ga.  
Played in 49 games as a freshman ... Talled 29 RBIs, eight doubles, eight home runs, 16 walks in 42 hits for a .304 batting average ... Allowed 41 hits while striking out 26 batters in 45 innings pitched for a 4-1 record in 2007.

Jessica Strong  
Fountain Valley, Calif.  
PBC All-Tournament team selection in 2007 ... Played in 49 games for the Pirates as a freshman ... Recorded 32 RBIs, 11 doubles and two home runs with a .317 batting average.
2008 Season Preview

The Armstrong Atlantic State softball squad opens the 2008 season returning a solid nucleus of players from the 2007 squad that finished the season ranked No. 15 in the NFCA’s Division II Top 25 Coaches Poll. The Pirates surprised many with their dramatic run through the South Atlantic Regionals, advancing to the title game and defeating three nationally-ranked teams in the process, including handing then-No. 2 Columbus State its only home loss of the season, 4-0.

One of the keys to the Pirates’ success in 2008 was a solid starting lineup that hit .321 as a team and featured eight starters that hit over .300. The Pirates ranked third in the tough Peach Belt Conference in hitting and ranked among the top 30 teams nationally as well.

Senior All-Region second baseman Natalie Vogler led the Pirates a year ago offensively, hitting .361 with team-best numbers in RBI (41), slugging percentage (.613) and home runs (8). She was selected as one of three players on the preseason All-PBC team this year. Junior All-PBC shortstop Ashley Bain also returns for the Pirates after another stellar season, following up her .340 average as a freshman with a .355 average as a sophomore.

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2007 NFCA Division II Final Top 25 Poll

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Receiving Votes:
Dowling 14, Wayne St. 13, Minnesota State 12, Mankato 12, Midwestern-State 11, Rollins 9, Valdosta St. 7, GC&SU 5, USC Upstate 5, UMass-Lowell 1.

hit or knock the ball out of the park. A year ago, she hit .310 with seven home runs and a .532 slugging percentage, and was named to the PBC’s preseason all-league team this year. Morris is a team leader who is an excellent handler of the bat, batting second all season a year ago and leading the Pirates with 13 sacrifice hits. She will be asked to see more time behind the plate this season, as well as a third, but is talented enough and willing enough to accept the task.

Senior Jessica Strong had an outstanding debut season as a Pirate, hitting .317 and playing error-free baseball in the outfield. She also earned All-PBC Tournament honors. Sophomore Nicole Huddleston also excelled in her debut season, unexpectedly taking a hold of the first base position, made just three errors while tying for the team lead in home runs at the plate with eight. A preseason All-PBC selection, Huddleston also ranked second on the team in slugging percentage at .546.

Senior Jessica Miranda returns after a year off from the Pirates. She hit .262 a year ago with 10 doubles and has the ability to fill in at all the infield positions.

The 2008 version of the Pirates should be substantially deeper in the circle. Junior Courtney Tucker returns for her third season and has consistently improved since joining the Pirates as a 17-year-old freshman. Tucker was 6-4 last season and pitched very well in relief. Two transfers, Sam Floyd (Middle Tennessee State) and Jacquie Crane (Brevard CC) will be expected to contribute immediately as both players come from very strong softball backgrounds. Floyd won seven games for the Blue Raiders a year ago and also hit .250 with a pair of home runs. An excellent hitter, she will also play third base this season. Rounding out the pitching staff will be freshman Rebekah Lewis, a left-hander with excellent movement who hails from South Pittsburg HS in Tennessee.
Ted Evans is in his fourth year as head coach of Armstrong Atlantic State University, where he has led the Pirates to back-to-back NCAA Championships appearances, including advancing to the NCAA South Atlantic Regional final in 2007, and back-to-back national NFCA DII rankings.

The Pirates finished the 2007 season with a 31-18 overall record and a No. 15 national ranking after another impressive regionals run that saw AASU knock off then No. 2-ranked Columbus State, 4-0, to earn a berth in the region final. This came on the heels of the 2006 season in which AASU finished 40-27 with a third-place finish in the South Atlantic regional and a No. 23 final ranking.

Evans joined AASU from Chattanooga State Community College in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in 2005 as the second head fastpitch softball coach in school history. A California native and the son of a highly successful junior high school coach, Evans brings nearly nearly 30 years of teaching and coaching experience to Armstrong Atlantic State. A former professional baseball player in the Cincinnati Reds organization, Evans played and coached competitive men’s fastpitch softball for 17 years. Infused with a self-proclaimed passion for softball, Evans has the reputation of a ‘teaching coach’ and has earned credit amongst his peers for his innovative hitting technique.

Evans played for 19 years in the renowned Dixie Major Fastpitch League in Chattanooga, where he was honored as the Chattanooga Softball Player of the Year three times. He was also the player/coach for the McKee fastpitch team for 17 years, guiding the team to 12 city championships and at one time a 101-1 overall record. On February 27, 2006, Evans was inducted into the Greater Chattanooga Sports Hall of Fame.

Evans graduated from Andrews University with a bachelor’s degree in physical education, and earned his master’s of education from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Brittney Walker, a native of Tennessee, enters her first season as assistant coach for the Armstrong Atlantic State University softball squad. Walker, a 2007 graduate of Lincoln Memorial University, where she played softball for four seasons is working on her master’s degree in Curriculum & Instruction from Armstrong Atlantic State University.

While at LMU Walker was named First Team All-American and South Atlantic Region Player of the Year in 2007. Walker was also named First Team All-Gulf South Conference in 2004, 2005 and 2006. During her stint as a pitcher at LMU, Walker hurled 659 innings in a school record 124 appearances. Brittney struck out a school record 619 batters to compile a career ERA of 2.47.

Walker also had a stellar career at the plate appearing 747 times, driving in 148 runs, and knocking 38 home runs to tally a career batting average of .375 with a slugging percentage of .679.

Brittney Walker

Assitant Coach

Also joining the Pirates for the upcoming season is junior outfielder Stephanie Mattes, a transfer from Indian River CC. A stellar defensive outfielder with a penchant for highlight reel catches, Mattes will be counted on as the Pirates’ leadoff hitter and should be an exceptional base stealing threat. Freshman Kelsey Falcone (Bradenton, Fla.) will be one of the Pirates’ catchers this season and had a strong fall working with the Pirates’ pitchers. Freshman Erin Billingsley (Buford, Ga.) is a versatile player who can play both the outfield and the infield. Lady Pirate soccer player Kyndal Schaaf also joins the Pirates as a freshman. A dual sport threat at Shaw HS in Columbus, Ga., Schaaf is primarily an outfielder who also possesses base stealing speed.
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General Information

School: Armstrong Atlantic State University
City/Zip: Savannah, GA 31419
Founded: 1935
Enrollment: 7,000
Nickname: Pirates
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Field Name: Pirate Softball Field
Capacity: 500
Affiliation: NCAA Division II
Conference: Peach Belt Conference
President: Dr. Thomas Z. Jones

Athletic Director: Dr. Eddie Aenchbacher
Alma Mater: Armstrong Atlantic State, ’79
Athletic Phone: (912) 927-5336
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