

2024 Pegasus Softball Drag and Variety Show Rules

Date: Sunday, April 28, 2024

Location: Round-Up Saloon

Cover Charge: \$10

Dressing Rooms Open: TBD (4 PM in 2023)

Registration: TBD (5 PM in 2023)

Event Start: TBD (6 PM in 2023)

The goals of the Pegasus Softball Drag and Variety Show are:

- to raise funds for the teams eligible to play in the Gay Softball World Series (GSWS),
- to promote Pegasus Softball within the community, and
- to entertain the Pegasus Softball membership.

As such, every PSSA league member is encouraged to attend.

Coaches, managers, and non-player staff are invited to perform alongside their teams.

For a team to receive credit for participating in the Pegasus Softball Drag and Variety Show, all event rules must be followed.

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The Pegasus Softball Drag and Variety Show is open to both single-performer and group acts.

Performances do not have to be drag acts. Teams are encouraged to be creative when crafting their performances. Act, dance, play an instrument, perform magic tricks, roast members of the audience, sing, tell jokes—everything is encouraged. If you have a unique talent, this is your showcase!

Performances must last at least three minutes, but not run longer than eight minutes. An additional, cumulative two minutes will be allotted for teams to set up, before performing, and to remove all props and performance items, after performing. Thus, the total time a team is allowed to be on stage without accruing a penalty is 10 minutes. Teams needing more than two minutes to set up and break down should plan accordingly. For example, if a team's act requires three minutes to set up and one minute to break down, then that team's performance time should be limited to six minutes. **To reiterate: teams are allowed 10 total minutes on stage. This includes all necessary set up and removal of performance items and must include a performance lasting between three and eight minutes.**

The use of props is encouraged! However:

- Acts must be safe to perform. No pyrotechnics—including open flames, flaming batons, sparklers, and flash pots—are allowed.
 - Teams cannot leave a mess on stage. Thus, neither food nor any liquid is allowed, and glitter is prohibited. Teams that use confetti must sweep the performance area clean, immediately following their performance and within the allotted time limit.
 - Items representing drug paraphernalia, sex toys, and/or weapons are not allowed.
- Depictions of illegal activities, violence, and/or nudity are prohibited. Teams with questions regarding the appropriateness of a prop or theme should consult with the Events Coordinator, prior to performing.

Teams must deliver any necessary music to the Events Coordinator on a USB flash drive that is labeled with the team's name. Music files must be in .mp3 format. Songs that contain excessive profanity, depict violence or illegal activities, or promote hate are not allowed. Teams with questions regarding the appropriateness of their music selection should consult with the Events Coordinator. **Music must be submitted at or before the dress rehearsal, Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 2-4 PM. Music will not be accepted the night of the performance.**

Each team must have one representative present at the dress rehearsal, Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 2-4 PM. Ideally, this representative would be the individual(s) performing, but may be a teammate, coach, or manager. This meeting is important as participants can have their questions answered, see the dressing area and performance space, and have their music screened on the Round-Up's sound system. Also, the performance order will be determined, via random draw. Any team that would like to practice their act, immediately following this meeting, should schedule in advance, with the Events Coordinator.

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Acts will be scored as follows:

Entertainment Value - 15 points

Was the act entertaining? Was the audience engaged?

Creativity – 10 points

Was the act unique? Was the theme funny, moving, or powerful? How well did each aspect of the performance enhance the act as a whole?

Skill of Performance – 10 points

Did the act look polished?

Stage Presence – 5 points

Did the performer(s) command attention? Were they energetic?

Costumes – 5 points

How well did the team's costumes enhance the performance?

TOTAL: 45 points

The points from each judge's ballot will be totaled to form a cumulative score for each act.

Bonus points will be added to the cumulative scores for the acts who collect the most money from the audience during their performances:

most money raised	10 points
second-most money raised	8 points
third-most money raised	6 points
fourth-most money raised	4 points
fifth-most money raised	2 points

Money collected by performers from the audience will be donated to the GSWs fund.

Additionally, to encourage the involvement of the entire team, one bonus point will be awarded for each on-stage performer beyond the first. Thus, if your team's act involves nine people on-stage, your cumulative score will be increased by eight points.

Points will be deducted from a team's cumulative total for the following reasons:

Exceeding 10 total minutes on stage.	25 points
Performing less than three or more than eight minutes.	25 points
Leaving a mess on stage.	30 points
Not having music submitted in the proper format, by/at the dress rehearsal.	40 points
Performing an act that is unsafe or violates the event rules regarding music or props.	50 points

The performance with the highest cumulative score, after bonus points are awarded and deductions are taken, will win a customized trophy. If eight or less teams perform, a first place performance will be recognized. If nine to twelve teams perform, an additional second place trophy will be awarded. If thirteen or more teams perform, a third place trophy will be awarded.

Teams will be disqualified from competition, and will not receive any credit for participating, if:

- their performance violates the PSSA bylaws or event rules.
- they break city, state, or federal laws.
- they exhibit animosity or hostility towards other PSSA members or teams.
- they promote prejudice towards any person.

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While every effort will be made to ensure that these rules are followed as outlined, circumstances and/or logistics beyond the control of the PSSA board or the Events Coordinator may require that these rules be amended. In such circumstances, the Events Coordinator will hold to the ideal of a fun and fair competition, and every effort will be made to notify all contestants of such changes as quickly as possible.

If you have questions, please contact:

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