

## The Ohio State University Buckeye Baseball--Snowbird Baseball Classic

Notice to all---

The 14 th Collegiate Baseball ranked Ohio State Buckeye team charter flight will arrive at Charlotte County Airport on Thursday, March 4 th, 2010. Estimated TOA is 2 PM. A welcoming event is being planned for the airport arrival. County, local and government officials and event organizers will be on hand to greet the Buckeyes. Sponsoring organizations and OSU Alumni Clubs have been invited to attend and show support for our Buckeyes. We plan to decorate the airport ramp arrival area with OSU colors and music. Brutus Buckeye will be on hand.

It is anticipated that just prior to arriving in Charlotte County, OSU Head Coach Bob Todd will have captured his 1000 th baseball win as the Buckeyes head coach. That significant accomplishment will be recognized at this welcome event.

Any addressed clubs or organizations wanting to participate or desiring to have representation/signs/flags at this arrival please let me know by reply email or call me at 941 698 4250 or cell 954 540 9511.

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The team will depart by bus to their hotel in Punta Gorda. Coach Todd has scheduled a practice for 4 PM, likely at the North Charlotte Regional Park. Buckeye fans have been invited by Coach Todd to attend the practice. This is a rare opportunity for fans to be up close and personal with team members.

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Additional Information-- All NCAA Division 1 games will be played at North Charlotte Regional Park

Friday, March 5, 2010-- 1:00 PM Ohio State University vs Duquesne University

Following this game there will be a tailgate/cookout hosted by the Northport Buckeyes Fan Club and the Rotonda West Buckeye Club for the Buckeye team, their traveling parents/families. Members of the Sarasota-Manatee OSU Alumni Club and the OSU Alumni Club of Broward County are also invited. Details on this event will follow.

Saturday, March 6, 2010 -- 1:00 & 4:30 PM Doubleheader  
Ohio State University vs St. Louis University

During the intermission between games, the four support clubs noted above are sponsoring 100+ box lunches for both teams. The Country Hound Cafe of Englewood, home of the monthly Buckeye Breakfast Bash, has volunteered to prepare these meals. Volunteers are still needed to support this project.

Sunday, March 7, 2010 -- 11:00 AM Ohio State vs Fairleigh Dickinson U.

Following this game the Buckeyes will depart for their flight back to Columbus.

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In addition to these Division I games the Snowbird Baseball Classic will continue until March 20 th. Some 90 more baseball games will be played throughout Charlotte County during that period. Over 20 additional Division III teams will compete, 13 from the state of Ohio. For more information check the website at [snowbirdbaseball.com](http://snowbirdbaseball.com).

If you would like to volunteer (scorekeepers, ticket takers, local guides, team hosts, sponsors) for the 2010 Snowbird Classic email the coordinating office at [shannon@snowbirdbaseball.com](mailto:shannon@snowbirdbaseball.com) or call 614 205 2099

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If you have any questions concerning any of the above contact me by reply or at the phone numbers above.

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