

Sandy Plains Cougars Amaze by Capturing Back-to-Back World Series and State Championships

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The Sandy Plains Cougars added to their historic 2009 undefeated (35-0) season that led to the Georgia State and World

Series Championships.

Possessing another incredible win-loss record and having repeated as the 2010 Georgia State Champs, the Cougars now at 7U enter the World Series in the hunt for historic consecutive World Series Titles.

During pool play qualifiers the Cougars displayed their discipline at the plate and in the field to enter championship play as the #1 seed. In the days to follow the Cougars faced the best teams the Southeast had to offer and after taking the win against Alabama's State Champs, the Cougars knocked off the 2009 WS Runner-up and this season's Georgia State Runner-Up to advance to

the Championship.

On half a day's rest, the Cougars entered the Championship round against the formidable District-3 Champs. Highly charged



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and abundantly skilled, the Cougars' opponent took the early lead yet the Cougars stood resolute. It quickly became clear that it was going to be a game that would have to be played to the final out. In late inning play, their fortunes were altered by the Cougars' overwhelming will and with a late game charge the Cougars went up by one run. That was all that was needed as the Cougars' defense put them away 1-2-3 in the last inning to become the 2010 Dizzy Dean World Series Champions.

Although the Summer Season has concluded, the miraculous achievement of these legendary teammates will last long in the hearts of all that followed this group of exceptionally talented players whose character, love and respect for the game was evident whenever they entered a ballpark.

2010 World Series Champions: Kyle Carlson; Nick Eckerman; Riley Frost; Ryan Kennedy; William Kolker; Ben Medley; Walker Ormsby; Michael Pasquali; Scott Pitts; Blake Redman; Anthony Smiga; and, Ross Trombetti. Coaching Staff: Kyle Ormsby; Matthew Pitts; Ross Redman; and Matthew Smiga.

The Sandy Plains Cougars play out of Sweat Mountain Park in Marietta, Ga. For further information visit: www.sandyplainsbaseball.com or www.dizzydean- ga.org.



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