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ROUND 1

JUNE 2002

Presidential Welcome to the PGWSL's 2002 Season

Holy cow, here we are half way through the season; time flies when you are having fun!

It has been quite interesting this year trying to get everything sorted out...some minor bumps and potholes, but we are getting there. Thanks to all of you for your patience and understanding. A *special thanks to Uta* for being the calm in my storm!

A **BIG WELCOME** to the View Royal and Cordova Bay junior teams. I hope you are enjoying yourselves and are adapting to the variety of ball that is played in our league. As most of you know, there are two women's fastball leagues in Victoria. Hyacinth, that provides a home for the highly competitive and heavily committed players...and ourselves. The mission of our league is to provide a positive environment for **ALL** calibers of players. To encourage sportsmanship and fair play, and generally to have fun. From a personal point, with a number of big changes going on in my life, I appreciate even more the positive mental and physical diversion this league provides, thanks to all of you.

To the Executive, big hugs for your never-ending enthusiasm, hard work and organization. So far, so good!

If at any time any player or coach has questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Executive. We will do all we can to help you out. **Remember** that we are only as good as you make us!

Last, but certainly not least...a BIG THANK YOU to Mike and Phil for coaching us at the Open Your Eyes Tournament. Also, to Sharon and Shannon for score keeping, and to Alia, Andy, Anna, Chelsea, Krysta, Kris, Krystle, Nicole and Sheri for putting up with us 'oldies'. It was a terrific weekend and I would look forward to doing it again!. Your up beat attitudes and love for the game ensures this league will continue to thrive.

Good luck to all of you in the second round. Play safe and have fun.

Kim Graham, President

Social Greetings

On behalf of the P.G.W.S.L., I would like to congratulate The **Jammers** for receiving the "Most Inspirational Team" award at the Ice Breaker Tournament. Way to go!! I would also like to express a **Big Thanx** to those who helped set up for the tournament as well as those who helped clean up afterwards. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

As discussed at the EGM, the Sue Beischer Tournament has been moved to July 20 & 21 and will be held at Vic West. The schedule will be disseminated when compiled!!

As most of you know, I have been tied up on a course since the beginning of April and have not had a chance to update our Website. I am now in the process of updating it and will have it back online soon!!

There will be a golf tournament this year, and we are looking for a course that can accommodate us. Please let me know approximately how many people are interested in this year's tournament. We're looking at July!

If you have questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 480-0322.

Cheers,

Oreo, Tournament Director

How do I Make a Complaint?

This being my first year as Vice President, I must admit it was definitely an eye opener. So, for all the past executive members I must say, "thank you very much." Organization, team work and calmness definitely make for a stress-free season. I must also thank Kim for her guidance, it was most appreciated.

We have had some feed back from some teams regarding the umpires. It is very important to get an update, positive or negative, of how the umpiring was. If any team during any game has a problem with the umpire, you can contact any one of the executives or e-mail me at umw@smart.com. In order to forward a proper complaint the Umpire Association, we will need the date, field, teams involved, umpire's name(s) and incident(s) as to what happened. The association needs to know the quality of umpiring we are receiving. I hope the second half of the season is enjoyable.

Play hard, play fair, play ball.

Uta Willmann, Vice President

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Chatter From the Batter's Box

Sliders

This season it's Christa and Candace's turns in the pregnancy leave rotation; congratulations! Although we will miss them, we've recruited new talent and would like to welcome Tara, Erin, Brooke, Niki, and Melissa. We look forward to getting to know our new teammates and wish all the best to the soon-to-be moms.

The Sliders would like to extend a special welcome to Theresa Vogel who has very kindly agreed to coach us this year. Thanks Theresa!

We'd also like to welcome back the Jammers and congratulate them for winning Most Inspirational Team at the Ice Breaker as well as welcome View Royal and the Cordova Bay Panthers to the P.G.W.S.L. We're always glad to see new players and friendly faces on the ball field.

A special thanks to Dawn for creating our new team website where you will find our league standings, player profiles and much more. Visit hal.cs.camosun.bc.ca/~cst01057/Sliders (note there is no www).

Most importantly, many thanks to our very generous sponsors; Candace and Holly at **The Knot Weddings**, Jimmy and Shaun at **Discovery Computers**, staff at the **Bank of Montreal**, and Brenda at **James Bay Hair Salon**.

See you on the ball field!

Tritons

The CFB Esquimalt Lady Tritons are in a rebuilding year again. We have 5 returning players from last year's team. The Tritons have lots of new players this year, some who have played before and a few rookies. The Tritons would like to wish every team a successful season.

Ernie Macphie

ROUND 1 STANDINGS

POS	TEAM	WINS	LOSSES	TIES
1	Storm	7	0	1
2	Tudor House	7	1	0
3	Wild	6	1	1
4	Panthers	5	3	0
5	The Family	4	4	0
6	View Royal	4	4	0
7	Reds	3	5	0
8	Sliders	2	6	0
9	Tritons	1	7	0
10	Jammers	0	8	0

Great start to the season, everybody. Thanks to all the teams who have sent me their scores on time.

Just a little reminder for the rest of the season to make sure you put first and last names on the score sheets, and provide the other team with last names. Scores need to be phoned in to 384-2229, between 8 pm and 7 am, or e-mailed to brendaparke@shaw.ca. I need the score, MVP for the other team, and the umpires name. Please be sure the umpire prints and signs the name. Thanks, and good luck in the next round.

Brenda Parke, Statistician

Red Dragons?

If you haven't noticed, our team this year is a merger of the Dragons and Reds and it's been a good move! Our new team has blended well and we're having a great season. We're also having fun getting to know our new teammates. We have a couple of newbies to the league this year who are a great addition to our team.

We have a new sponsor this year also, The Vancouver Island News Group. We'd like to say Thanks to James Manning, publisher of the News Group, for all of his support. For those who are unfamiliar with the News Group, they publish our communities' newspapers such as The Saanich News, Oak Bay News, Esquimalt News, and Victoria News, in addition to several other community papers throughout the Island.

Good luck to everyone for a great second round.

Catch ya on the field.

Tudor House A's

T is for a big THANK YOU to the Tudor House Pub for sponsoring us this year.

U is for our unmentionable cheers at the pitcher's mound

D is for our double D defence Donna J. and Donna S.

O is for outstanding pitching from Sarah, Jacquie and Nikki

R is for the respect which we give our coach – notice we don't have one?

H is for our humour and lack thereof

O is for us old-timers (you know who they are)

U is for 'ute' aka youth and thank God for it

S is for Sheri and her unbelievable play of catching the ball in centerfield and removing her pants at the same time – definitely a TSN turning point

E is for eternity which is what it felt like putting his together

A's are what we get for effort

Put it all together and you've got us - 2002 Tudor House A's Women's Softball Team!!

The Family

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz;

This is how "The Family" is:

Led by returning Coach Debbie Duke, the group is exceeding her and our expectations. Her "hit the ball and run" coaching advice has led to numerous victories already. Her further advice of "catch the ball, then throw and make the play" has certainly improved the clarity of our game. It all seems so simple now.

We are thrilled with the competition this year – 10 fabulous teams! And extend a warm welcome to the new "kids." We have enjoyed playing all of you so far.

Enjoy yourselves and the spirit of the game... or spirits (just not when you play at the Jr. fields).

Loving you all! The Family

SALT SPRING ISLAND FASTBALL TOURNAMENT August 17 & 18

The women's fastball tournament will be held August 17 and 18. In addition, the women's team would be happy to have a team or two over on a Sunday afternoon other than the tournament for a couple of games. If anybody is interested and for more information about the tournament, Cheryle can be contacted at cheryle@uniserve.com.

Thanks to all the teams that contributed to the newsletter! Established in 1999, the PGWSL Newsletter is meant to provide a forum where players can communicate to the league or simply find out what's going on.

It's nice to see that everybody's having a good time and playing great ball. Congratulations to the Storm for finishing first in this round, and good luck to everybody in the next round.

Sophie LeBlanc, Secretary