

Plenty of pitchers and catchers

Portland plays host to Cascade Cup tournament

BY ORIANA GREEN

Picture this: More than 500 buff softball players from throughout the country will be in town July 7 and 8 for the Cascade Cup.

This is the 20th anniversary of the tournament, which is sponsored by Ringor, a Portland company that makes softball shoes. It donated \$3,500 to present the event, which alternates between Seattle and Portland.

Competing will be teams of all men, some mixed-gender teams and one all-women team from Vancouver, British Columbia.

Roy Melani, Rose City Softball Association commissioner, says he sees putting on this tournament

"as sort of a practice run for the World Series, which will be held here in August 2002." He also is thrilled that lots of sponsors have supported the program. He adds that half of the needed sponsors for the World Series already have been secured.

So come out and support the

eight local teams playing in the tournament, which features 34 teams from across the West and Midwest region, including 15 from Seattle, at the new Hillsboro Stadium Complex. Each team will play four or five games, so there will be plenty of action to watch.

Games start both days at 8 a.m., and the championship games start at 2 p.m. July 8. And here's some good news: There's no charge to get into the stadium.

You'll find the complex at Northwest Evergreen Parkway at 229th Avenue, just off Sunset Highway. Learn more at www.portlandgaysoftball.com.

If you care more about the players than the game, you probably will find most of them at the Bases Loaded Party on July 7. This progressive party starts 3 p.m. at C.C.



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No triskaidekaphobia here!

Slaughters and keeps moving to the Fox & Hounds, Hobo's, the Dirty Duck and Darcelle XV.

Expect entertainment, food and drink specials, and prizes on into the wee hours. There won't be

any cover charges at the participating bars.

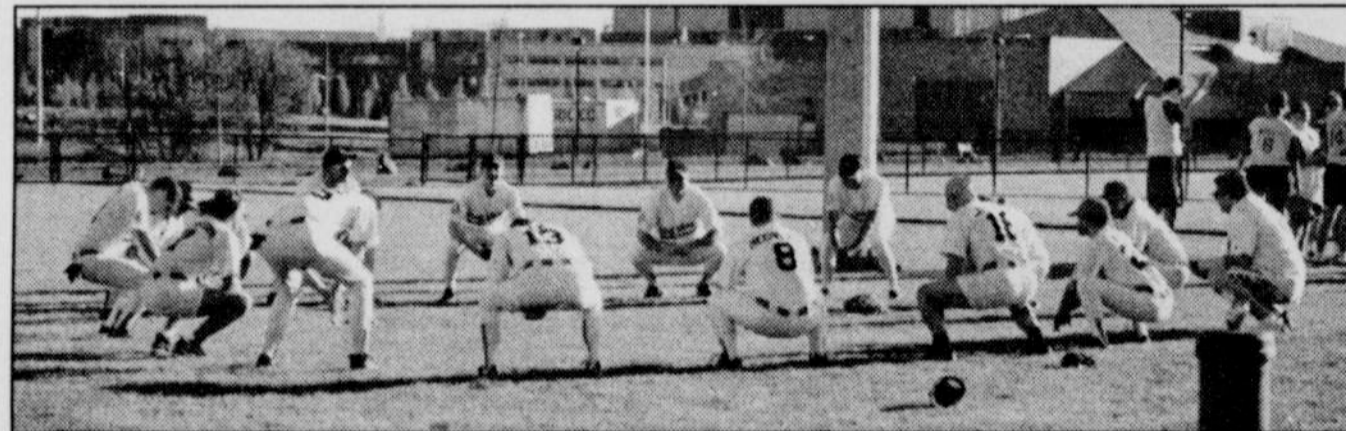
At "Home Base"—C.C. Slaughters—enjoy the sounds of jazz and blues band The Cool, then a salsa dancing demonstration by Larumba ought to heat things up. And if that doesn't, surely the decorated jock strap contest will! Chow down at a huge Texas-style barbecue, with outdoor seating for your dining—or cruising—pleasure.

The Fox & Hounds will be holding the world's longest happy hour from 8:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. Hobo's will have drink specials plus live music featuring Max Woodburn and Jim Blackburn. Over at the Dirty Duck you'll find another marathon happy hour all day long with food specials.

The tournament closes with a trophy presentation banquet 5 p.m. July 8 at Hobo's. **JO**



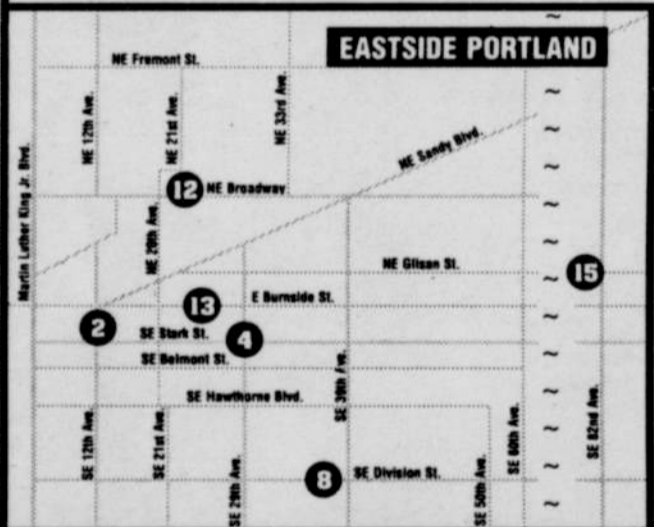
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