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Accommodations for Denver

Monday, December 12, 2005

We will be staying at the Denver Embassy Suites Southeast this year. Rates for the rooms will be \$99 per night. Below is the description of the amenities as described on the Colorado Fireworks web site. All two room suites. Complimentary full, cooked to order breakfast each morning. Two hour manager's reception each evening with complimentary soft drinks, snacks, and cocktails. Walking distance to over 25 restaurants, a shopping center, Whole Foods and two movie theaters. Indoor pool, and Jacuzzi. 206 total King/double-double suites each with full sized sofa bed in living room. All guest suites and public areas due to be remodeled by June 2006. The hotel is located just 15 minutes (9 miles) from the Aurora Sports Park, and 25 minutes (15 miles) from the Olympic Park.

Chili Bowl Raffle

Monday, January 16, 2006

The raffle was a very successful fundraiser. A big Thank You to Steve Hahn, Chili Bowl co-founders Lanny Edwards and Emmett Hahn (Steve's dad), for allowing our players the opportunity to sell the raffle tickets. The grand prize was a highly coveted pair of infield passes for Saturday night's Championship finals. Race organizers, Emmett Hahn and Lanny Edwards, donated the tickets. All proceeds will go towards these young ladies team/travel expenses for the year. We appreciate all your support! Thank You!

Fond Farewell to the Havoc

Sunday, January 29, 2006

The Tulsa Shootout is saddened by the break-up of our old friend and competitor, the Broken Arrow Havoc. Although we have seen a lot of teams break up over the years, not many have been as competitive and shown the class of the Havoc. This will place some very talented girls in the market for a new team and will certainly strengthen whomever they play with. We hope that they all can find what they are looking for in a team. I'm sure that we will still see most of these girls around this summer, but it won't be the same without playing them as the Havoc. The competition between our teams has been unequalled the past few years. The rivalry between the Havoc and the Shootout was always fierce, yet never unfriendly. We will miss you Havoc and we wish you all the best of luck!

Easton's Role in Olympic Softball

Saturday, February 18, 2006

Softball was eliminated from the Olympic Games last July by a vote of 52 to 52 with one person abstaining. That one vote would have kept softball in the Olympics. The member abstaining was none other than James L. Easton, president of Easton Sports. It is rumored that Easton abstained in order to preserve his seat on the Olympic Committee, a seat that he just lost by two votes. Click on the link below to view a very interesting editorial posted on Spy Softball's website. The article does not specifically condone a boycott of Easton products, but it makes you think twice about who you want to support with your money.

"Easton owes it to the softball public, and to the one million-plus girls who play the sport, to explain his actions – and those of the IOC. Given the demands by some for a boycott of Easton products, his silence is counter to his own business interests – surprising because it was his concern about his business interests which brought us to this stage."

"If Easton could not see his way clear to vote for softball, he is of no use to the softball community as an IOC delegate. If he truly believed his business interests were paramount in Singapore, he should not have been a US representative, indeed should never have been elected to the IOC."

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Hall of Fame Bound!!

Sunday, May 14, 2006



The Tulsa Shootout won the Hall of Fame Host Qualifier Tournament this weekend. The tournament was held at the Ramsey Softball Complex in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. The Shootout finished the tournament undefeated to advance to the Hall of Fame Tournament.

2006 Tulsa Metro Champions

Monday, May 22, 2006

The Tulsa Shootout competed this past weekend in the Tulsa Area Metro 16A Championship held at TGSF's Savage Park.

The Shootout went through the winners bracket undefeated to face the Oklahoma Titans in the championship game. The determined Titans fought off the Shootout to win the first game and send it to the "if" game. The second game looked very bleak, with the Titans jumping out with a 3 - 0 lead in the first inning. Midway through the game the Shootout bats finally found the holes they were looking for. The Shootout came back to win the game 5-3. The victory qualifies the Shootout for ASA 16A Nationals in Seattle, Washington.



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Hall of Fame Tournament

Sunday, June 25, 2006

The Tulsa Shootout had a very strong defensive performance at the ASA 16u Hall of Fame Tournament. The tournament was held at the Hall of Fame Stadium in Oklahoma City. The Shootout finished 3rd out of 24, amongst a very talented group of teams. The Shootout made it through the winners bracket with wins against the Arizona Storm, Midland Explosion, Collins Hill Elite Eagles, and the Southern California Pride (3rd place 2006 ASA Nationals). In the finals of the winners bracket the Shootout lost to eventual Tournament Champion, Georgia Xtreme (25th 2006 ASA Nationals). The loss put the Shootout against the SC Pride again, and this time the score was the same with the results reversed. Pride 1 Shootout 0 in 1 ITB. The offensive performance was still not as strong as Shootout fans are accustomed to seeing, but we are improving there. The defense was, with only a couple of exceptions, phenomenal. We had some outstanding defensive stands, getting several double plays. We also held runners in scoring position on numerous occasions. The Shootout "D" had an outstanding performance, when the "O" catches up, we will be a very tough adversary.

2006 16u ASA Hall of Fame Order of Finish

*Oklahoma City, OK
June 23-25, 2006*

	1st Place	
Georgia Xtreme	Stockbridge	Georgia
	2nd Place	
Southern California Pride	Sierra Madre	California
	3rd Place	
Tulsa Shootout	Tulsa	Oklahoma
	4th Place	
Shamrocks	Fairfax	Virginia
	5th Place	
Collins Hill Elite Eagles	Auburn	Georgia
Illinois Outlaws Elite	Beecher	Illinois
	7th Place	
Sudden Impact	Federal Way	Washington
Fushion	Sioux Falls	South Dakota
	9th Place	
Texas Glory	Valley View	Texas
Rockers	Romeoville	Illinois
Legion of Doom	St. Louis	Missouri
Midland Magic	Andalusia	Illinois
	13th Place	
OK Dynamite Badside	Lisa	Oklahoma
Midland Explosion	Midland	Texas
Colorado Comets	Highlands Ranch	Colorado
Fort Worth Batbusters	Fort Worth	Texas
	17th Place	
CA Cruisers	Cerritos	California
Arizona Storm	Scottsdale	Arizona
Colorado Quicksilver	Colorado Springs	Colorado
Tri-City Washington Angels	Kennewick	Washington
OK Select	Edmond	Oklahoma
Jersey Intensity	Howell	New Jersey
Magic 32	Westminster	California
Olathe Rockets	Overland Park	Kansas

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Shootout in the News

Monday, June 26, 2006

The following article is reprinted from Green Country Softball's Message board as well as our guestbook by it's author, Jeff Filali, a Freelance Writer. The article has been submitted to the Jenks Journal for publication. The Tulsa Shootout is very honored by the kind words of it's author and proud to receive the recognition. Thank You Mr. Filali.

Tulsa Shootout take 3rd in Hall-of-Fame!!

By: Jeff Filali ~ Freelance Writer

Oklahoma City- The Amateur Softball Association (ASA) cordially invited the Tulsa Shootout to participate in the 2006 ASA 16U Hall-of-Fame National Qualifier Tournament. The tournament was held this past weekend of June 23rd thru June 25th 2006 at the ASA Hall-of-Fame Complex in Oklahoma City, OK. The National Qualifier tournament consisted of 24 of the Top 16 and Under, Class A, Competitive Fast-Pitch Softball teams in the United States. Teams qualify to participate by their performance in ten Local Hall-of-Fame qualifier tournaments held throughout the nation. The Tulsa Shootout qualified by going undefeated and winning the Local HOF Qualifier Championship held in Sand Springs earlier this year.

The ASA Don E. Porter Hall of Fame Stadium is widely regarded as the finest softball facility in the nation and has played host to the best softball competition in the world, including USA teams that represent the nation in international competitions. Annually, ASA Don E. Porter Hall of Fame Stadium plays host to a wide variety of softball events, including the nation's number one collegiate contest, the NCAA Women's College World Series (WCWS), which annually draws more than 45,000 spectators from around the nation. In addition, the 2006 World Cup of Softball will be held there next month.

The Tulsa Shootout is a 16 and under Class A Competitive Fast-Pitch Softball Team based in Tulsa, OK. The team is coached by Head Coach & Manager Krystal Markwardt along with Assistant Coaches Pam Burton, Tim Burton, Crystal Clay and Dana Miller and is comprised of some of the Top Amateur female Athletes from throughout Northeastern Oklahoma including Tulsa, Bristow, Claremore, Owasso, Picher, Pryor, Sand Springs and Wyandotte.

Indeed it is an honor for the entire Tulsa Shootout organization considering they are one of only 24 total teams who were invited from throughout the country. The Shootout was not going to be satisfied with just being invited, they were determined to show the HOF and the country that Green Country does produce some of the nations Top fast pitch talent. So, the Team played tough and started off by winning their first four games in a row. The girls beat some of the Top teams in the country including the Arizona Storm (2-0), the Midland Explosions (3-2), the Collins Hill Elite Eagles (3-2) and the Southern Cal Pride (1-0) before losing to the eventual Champion Georgia Extreme (6-1) and in the Second Place game rematch with the So Cal Pride (1-0). This left the Tulsa Shootout with an impressive third place victory and an overall proud representation of Green Country and the entire state of Oklahoma.

Congratulations to the entire Tulsa Shootout organization for your hard work and dedication.

cc: the Jenks Journal

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In the News Again!

Tuesday, July 4, 2006

Freelance writer, Jeff Filali, has submitted the following article for publication. Mr. Filali is also the Webmaster for the Tulsa Lightning and is the cousin of Lightning pitcher, Amy Graham. This article has been submitted to the Jenks Journal, the Owasso Reporter, the Sand Springs Leader, the Tulsa World, the Skiatook Journal, the Claremore Daily Progress, the Paper of Pryor Creek and Mayes County, the Daily Oklahoman, Green Country Softball Magazine, the Oklahoma ASA, the TGSF, High School Sports the Magazine etc. If you want to see it published, he encourages you to contact these papers and request them to do so, or you may have one of your own to contact. If you do, please let Mr. Filali know where it has been published.

Tulsa Shootout takes home 2nd in CO Fireworks!!

By: Jeff Filali ~ Freelance Writer

Aurora, CO.- The 2006 Radisson Southeast Colorado Fireworks 16 and Under Fast-pitch Softball Tournament was held this past week in beautiful Aurora, CO. Aurora is a suburb of Denver and has been designated by Sports Illustrated as the #1 sports town in Colorado. It is a beautiful city that sets on the South-East Side of Denver with the sunset view of the Rocky Mountains just to the west. The tournament consisted of 60 of the Top 16 and Under, Class A, Competitive Fast-Pitch Softball teams from throughout the United States. Including the sole representative from Oklahoma, the Tulsa Shootout

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The Shootout started off in Bracket Play bright and early at 9:15am on Wednesday morning against the strong Overland Park Lasers. The girls battled hard in a tuff defensive battle, losing by a final score of 2-0. Next up, they faced the East Cobb Blast at 11:00am on Wednesday morning and won an offensive battle, by a final score of 7-5. On Thursday morning at 7:30am the team faced a good team in the Texas Hawks and got their bats going rallying for a 7-3 victory. This left the Shootout facing the American Athletics from California and the team put on an offensive explosion winning by a final score of 13-1. This left the Shootout with a (3-1) POOL Record and thanks to their offensive production left them in First Place, winning their Bracket and getting a first round bye in the tournament.

So, the Shootout started off tournament play against the British Columbia Victoria Devils from Canada. The team played great and came out ahead in the end by a score of 5-2. Next up the Shootout would face the Denham Springs Stingers from Louisiana. The girls played another good game and were victorious in the end. This left the team playing the TC Angels from the State of Washington. Again, the Shootout put on another offensive explosion and defensive shutdown, shutting out the Angels by a final score of 7-0. Next up would be the Hometown favorite the Colorado Stampede. This would be a tuff battle for the Shootout considering the Hometown fan advantage, but the girls didn't let it affect their game and won by a final score of 9-6.

This left the Shootout facing the only other undefeated team in the tournament, the tuff Arizona Killer Bees of Mesa, AZ. The Killer Bees had won all four of their POOL Games, only giving up one total run; and had won four consecutive tournament games allowing only five total runs. It would be a tuff battle. But, the team held their heads high and took the field with pride battling to the very end and only losing by a score of 3-0.

So, this left the Shootout playing the CS Express from Alabama, who had only one loss in the tournament and had won the loser bracket. A loss would leave the Shootout with a respectable third place, but a win would guarantee second and give them a rematch with the Arizona Killer Bees in the Championship game. The girls were not going to be satisfied with third place and were determined to get another chance at the Killer Bees. It was a tuff defensive stand between both teams, but the Shootout prevailed in the end by a score of 3-1.

So, here they were, four days after they started and the dream was here, playing for the Championship. Unfortunately, due to bad weather and lightning the Championship game was never played and was postponed due to lightning. After a delay and concession by the 18u teams, the Shootout was encouraged to concede to the Killer Bee's and accept 2nd place.

Although they would have preferred to play, they took the high road and conceded in an attempt to show good sportsmanship. (The Killer Bee's had a plane to catch at 8:00pm) They had given it they're all and gave every ounce of heart they had on the field all week. The entire Tulsa Shootout should hold their heads high because of this impressive victory and an overall proud representation of Green Country and the entire state of Oklahoma.

Congratulations to the entire Tulsa Shootout organization for your hard work and dedication. Please, everyone congratulate these young Ladies when you see them and let them know how proud we are of their hard work and dedication on and off the field. Also, feel free to leave them a Message in their Guest Book on their Web-Site at <http://www.eteamz.com/tulsashootout>

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Shootout Finishes Runner-up in Colorado

Tuesday, July 4, 2006



The Shootout has just returned from competing in the 2006 Radisson South East Colorado Fireworks Tournament. The Shootout finished second out of sixty teams in the prestigious tournament. The Fireworks Tournament is well known as an opportunity for teams to showcase their talent in front of college scouts from across the United States. This year there were 290 scouts registered to attend. The Shootout began pool play in a sluggish performance with a 2-0 loss to the Overland Park Lasers. The following pool games were wins against the East Cobb Blast, Texas Hawks, and the American Athletics

from California. By finishing first in our pool, the Shootout earned a first round bye. The Shootout had victories against the Victoria Devils (CAN BC), Denham Springs Stingers (LA), Tri-City Angels (WA), and the Colorado Stampede. The final game of the winners bracket was a 3-0 loss to the Killer Bee's from Arizona. The Shootout bats were silenced by the Bee's with only one hit in the game and a less than impressive defensive performance, with 2 of the 3 runs being unearned. The third was a solo home run. This loss put the Shootout against the lone survivor of the losers bracket, the CS Express from Alabama. The Shootout found new life and defeated the Xpress for the rematch with the Bee's. The bottom of the first inning, with only one out to go, the score was tied 0-0, the storms moved in and delayed the game. After a short delay, one of the 18u teams decided to forfeit and to accept the third place trophy. The two remaining teams decided to do the same with the unbeaten team taking first, and the other the runner-up spot. The tournament officials as well as the Bee's Coaching Staff were encouraging us to do the same. The Killer Bee's had an 8:00pm plane to catch and could not finish the tournament. The Shootout Coaches found themselves "between a rock and a hard place." We would have preferred to have a chance for a rematch, but it wasn't going to happen. Our only options were to agree to accept the runner-up spot or force them to concede. Our coaches elected to take the high road and show good sportsmanship, by agreeing to accept the runner-up trophies. Our hats go off to the Killer Bee's from Arizona, who played an impressive tournament with 6 wins and no losses.

TGSF 18u Night Owl Champions

Sunday, July 16, 2006



The Tulsa Shootout competed this weekend in Tulsa Girls Softball Association's Night Owl Tournament. The tournament, held annually, begins late in the evening and lasts through the night. The unusual playing times is intended to avoid the heat and throw in a little fun. Friday nights play added an additional twist when a power outage forced a 3-hour delay in start time. Never the less the Shootout came prepared to play, winning all 4 pool games Friday night/Saturday morning and the final pool game Saturday evening. The pool victories assured a top seed as well as setting the tempo for the single elimination bracket-play, which began Sunday morning at 1:00am. Bracket play began with a victory over the Oklahoma Outrage. The second bracket game was Shootout victory versus the Oklahoma Classics (18u). The championship game was a rematch of bats against the hard-hitting Oklahoma Impact Gold. The bats were blazing for both teams with the Shootout coming out on top again, for the championship. The Shootout finished the tournament with 8 wins and no losses, scoring 54 points to their opponents 14. We would also like to congratulate Brittany Robison for being voted Night Owl Tournament MVP. Brittany is the sister of Shootout 3rd Baseman Jessica Robison, Brittany plays 3rd Base for the Impact.

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Easton Elite College Showcase

Sunday, July 23, 2006

The Tulsa Shootout finished the Easton Elite 18A College Showcase Tournament with a record of 5 wins and 1 loss. The lone loss came at the hands of '91 All Mixed Up, a second year 14u team from Ft. Worth, Texas. The All Mixed Up team took advantage of a Shootout 4 error 1st inning, scoring 2 runs. That, along with a complete lack of hitting, sealed the Shootout loss 1-2. The high note of the tournament is that after playing in temperatures of 117° heat index, Seattle is going to feel like a cold front. The high for next week in Seattle is 83°.

Final Expo Event Completed!

Tuesday, August 8, 2006

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Lynn Arnold and all the Board Members of the Tulsa Girls Softball Federation. We have just completed our 3rd year as a team and have qualified for, and attended ASA Nationals all 3 years. This was our first year to play out of TGSF and consequently our first year to receive any financial assistance for Nationals. We appreciate your support and look forward to continued success with the Shootout Organization.

Playing With The Best

Tuesday, August 8, 2006

The Tulsa Shootout just returned from the ASA 16u A National Championship held in Seattle, Washington. This years ASA National Championship brought together 136 of the "Best of the Best" teams from across the country. Once again the Shootout earned their right to be included as one of the best. The only team from Oklahoma who qualified for the right to compete, the Tulsa Shootout finished as one of the top 25 Teams nationwide, by virtue of their 8-team tie for 17th place. The Shootout started off bracket play with an early morning, very flat, error-plagued performance against the Finesse resulting in a first round loss and a big hill to climb. The Shootout ladies showed remarkable determination in winning the next six games for the very respectable finish. A first round loss in a tournament of this size with the quality of teams present would be a fatal blow for most teams. This team dug in and fought hard to survive. We are very proud of you, Shootout Ladies! You played hard and drew the attention of a host of College Scouts. We expect to see great things from you in the future!

Pool Scores

Montana Rockies	0	Tulsa Shootout	3
Tulsa Shootout	3	Gordon's Panthers	5

Bracket Scores

Finesse	11	Tulsa Shootout	2
Rainier Jets	2	Tulsa Shootout	3
Tulsa Shootout	9	Maryland Chill	1
Jersey Intensity	3	Tulsa Shootout	10
Tulsa Shootout	6	Texas Rage	3
Tulsa Shootout	8	San Diego Power Surge	7
Tulsa Shootout	4	So Cal Pride	5