MELISSA BRIDEAU FASTBALL FUNDRAISER

WHEN

Thursday June 5th at 7pm and 9pm

WHERE

Lancaster Park, St. Catharines, ON (directions on <u>www.niagarasnappers.com</u> and <u>www.ghfl.ca</u>)

WHO

Niagara Snappers vs. California Lumberkings at 7pm GHFL All Stars vs. California Lumberkings at 9pm

The Niagara Snappers and GHFL All Stars are pleased to announce that they will be hosting a fastball fundraiser with the visiting California Lumberkings who are travelling to Niagara-on-the-Lake for the 2008 Snapper Shootout.

The Lumberkings, who were finalists at the 2007 ISC II Tournament of Champions, go into the 2008 season ranked #2 in North American ISC II competition. The Niagara Snappers, 3rd place finishers at the 2007 Tournament of Champions have accepted a berth to the 2008 ISC World Tournament, will play host to the Lumberkings in the 7pm game. The GHFL All Stars will take on the Lumberkings in the nightcap which will start at 9pm. The GHFL All Stars will be picked by former GHFL president and current ISC Canada East VP and ISC II Commissioner, Blair Setford.

The game is slated to take place at beautiful Lancaster Park in St. Catharines which is widely considered as one of the best fastball venues in Ontario.

Proceeds from the gate and several activities at the park including a 50-50 draw, prize raffle, and commemorative t-shirt sales will be donated to Melissa Brideau. Storm's Deli of Niagara Falls will also be on hand with a full BBQ and cold soft drinks.

Melissa is the long time girlfriend of Niagara Falls Fury player Tommy Watkinson who has played ball in the Niagara Falls Men's League for the past 15 years. Melissa is stricken with a very aggressive from of Multiple Sclerosis. Melissa is 35 years old and has reached a point in her illness where a wheelchair or scooter has become her source of mobility. Melissa is having no luck with North American treatment and is traveling to Venezuela to seek treatment from world renowned specialist Dr. Yepetz utilizing rainforest natural therapy. As one can imagine this is a very costly endeavor but one that needs to be explored now. Dr. Yepetz has successfully reversed the effects of MS in many patients and Melissa feels this type of treatment is one of the few remaining options available for her. If treatments go well, Melissa will in all probability be revisiting Venezuela multiple times.



