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Yellow Jackets Ink Sports Illustrated Profile!!

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Saskatoon, SK – The Saskatoon Yellow Jackets are proud to announce the signing of infielder-pitcher Zach Wentz. Zach will make his Saskatoon Yellow Jackets home debut on Friday June 26th versus the rival Regina Red Sox.

Wentz, from Bismarck, North Dakota is 6'3" 215 lbs. He was at the top of almost every hitting category with the Division 1 North Dakota State Bison as a freshman this winter. Zach had a batting average of .349; and led his team in hits, doubles, home runs, total bases and RBI and he stole four bases. He was featured in the October 6 issue of *Sports Illustrated in the Faces in the Crowd* section where they pointed out that he hit .507; had a slugging percentage of .903; 15 doubles; 12 home runs and 67 RBI for the Bismarck American Legion team last summer. Zach plays third and first base, can play the outfield and he can also pitch. He threw two perfect games in high school and was All-State three times. He was the North Dakota Class A Player of the Year in 2008. Wentz was also a three year starting quarterback and linebacker in high school; throwing for over 2,200 yards and 11 touchdowns while running for 10 more his senior year. He was recruited to play baseball and football at ND State but decided to focus on baseball. Since coming to the Yellow Jackets late last week, he is hitting .500 with a slugging percentage of .750.



The Yellow Jackets are proud to be a partner in the first annual Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation's "Batting Against Breast Cancer" fundraiser in Saskatoon. The Saskatoon Yellow Jackets will culminate their activities with their "Breast Cancer Awareness Night" this Friday, June 26th against the Regina Red Sox. That night, the Yellow Jackets will be wearing special **pink hats** that will be auctioned off, via a silent auction, and presented to the winners at the end of the game. All proceeds will be donated to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation. In addition, **ALL** local cancer volunteers, survivors, and their families are invited to the game at ½ price admission.

This event will feature a breast cancer survivor throwing the first pitch which will mark the official opening of registration for Batting Against Breast Cancer. Also, fans will be given the opportunity to "**Pound the Red Sox**" using a sledge hammer and a used car as part of the fundraiser. Batting Against Breast Cancer is an August 8th slow-pitch tournament here in Saskatoon. Teams can register in corporate or recreational divisions

Friday night's game at Cairns Field is also presented by Cameco Corporation and will start at 7:05pm. The 2009 Saskatoon Yellow Jackets continue their commitment to building a contending team both on and off the field.

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