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-NHL'er Colby Armstrong to Throw Opening Pitch-

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Saskatoon, SK - The Saskatoon Yellow Jackets are pleased to announce that former Pittsburg Penguin and current Atlanta Thrasher star **Colby Armstrong** will be throwing out the first pitch at our home opener on May 30th.

In this spirit of the season start, we are inviting all local media to our media day barbeque beginning at 1pm on Friday May 29th, in advance of opening night, Saturday May 30th @ 7:05pm. Team coaches, players, managers and team executives will be on-hand flipping burgers and having some fun. The barbeque takes place on Friday right at Cairns Field!! Feel free to bring your ball glove!!

Player Notes: We're extremely excited that shortstop **Joel Cardinal** will be returning to anchor our line-up. He just completed his sophomore year at Monterrey Peninsula College in California where he was among the leaders in his conference in most offensive categories. He batted .350 with a .577 slugging percentage, had 13 doubles, 3 triples, 6 home runs, driving in 39 runs. His fine play has him currently ranked #39 on a list of Canadian players eligible for the Major League Baseball player draft. Joel played his minor baseball with the Saskatoon Braves and Cubs and represented Saskatchewan in several national championships including two Canada Cups. Joel will not be back in time for Media day but if you wish to speak with him we would be happy to put you in contact.

Player Notes: We feel very fortunate to have **Andrew Buckham**, a left handed pitcher from Abbotsford B.C., take to the mound in Saskatoon for the first time in his career. He recently completed his sophomore year at Saint Louis University in the Atlantic 10, a Division 1 conference, picking up three wins as a starting pitcher in his first year with the team. He was the top pitcher with the Langley Blaze teaming up with Brett Lawrie — who was drafted 16th overall last year by the Milwaukee Brewers, the highest draft position ever by a Canadian position player — on one of the best midget baseball teams in the country.

The 2009 Saskatoon Yellow Jackets Season Tickets continue to be on sale and can be purchased by calling 306.244.9744. Individual game tickets can be purchased at the ball park on game night or can conveniently be purchased on-line at the Yellow Jackets new website at www.saskatoonyellowjackets.com or direct at www.picatic.com

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