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PORTLAND PICKLES All STARS TO PLAY THE MAZATLÁN VENADOS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH IN MAZATLÁN MEXICO

PORTLAND PICKLES TO HOST OPEN TRYOUTS AT WALKER STADIUM FOR ONE ROSTER SPOT- WINNER RECEIVES FREE TRIP TO PLAY IN MEXICO

PORTLAND, Ore. (August 18, 2021) — The Portland Pickles need the community's help to finalize their roster when they travel to Mexico this September. The organization is inviting all interested parties to tryout for the team on Sunday, August 29th from 3 to 5:45 PM at Walker Stadium (4715 SE 92nd Ave).

The winning player will join former Pickles greats as well as exciting new talent as they travel to Mexico to play the Mazatlán Venados in front of an expected crowd of 16,000 fans for the second annual Friendship Series between the two teams. The date of the game is September 30th, 2021.

All baseball players of all ages, genders, shapes and sizes are invited to showcase their talent for only \$5 and can register <u>HERE</u>. The winning player will receive an all inclusive trip to Mazatlan Including flights and lodging at the Royal Villas. The winner will also suit up for The Pickles during their game against the Venados on September 30th.

All fans, family, and friends of potential hopefuls are welcome to attend the tryout by purchasing tickets to the Wild Wild West League Championship <u>HERE</u>. The tickets will include entry to the tryout in addition to admission to the championship game. Concessions and bars will be open.

As the second team in Portland history to hold widespread open baseball tryouts since the Portland Mavericks, players will compete in several drills and show off their hitting, pitching, and fielding skills.





International Managers Nick Fleck, Jace Brown, and Wild Wild West League Sheriff JJ Mascolo will decide who will join the team on the trip down south.

In 2019, it was announced The Portland Pickles Baseball Club and the Mazatlán Venados developed the first-ever bi-country baseball city partner program. The purpose of creating this partnership is to open up new lines of communication, learning, and inspiration between two baseball teams operating in border countries. 2019's tryout yielded over 100 hopefuls of all ages, shapes and sizes, ultimately resulting in the selection of Mark Triolo, who started on the mound and hit 4th against the Venados during 2019's game.

Join us in Mazatlan:

CALLING ALL PICKLES FANS! Anyone wanting to attend join us in Mazatlan, we have partnered with <u>The Venados</u> and <u>Royal Villas</u> for a special package for the biggest Pickles fans!

For only \$79 a night (can have up to 3 people per room):

- Room at a 5-star beachfront hotel
- Tickets for The Pickles vs Venados
- Discounts on local tours & activities
- Discounted rate on airport transfers

Book HERE now (3 night minimum) and join us in beautiful Mazatlan, Mexico.

Details on Tryout:

Click HERE to pre-register, we also accept registrations the day of the event from 2-3 PM @ Walker Stadium.

<u>Click HERE</u> to attend the tryout as a fan. Tickets will include access to the Wild Wild West League Championship, starting at 7PM.

Date: Wednesday, August 21st

Registration: Click HERE or register on site from 2-3 PM on 8/29

Time: 3-5:45 PM

Where: Walker Stadium - 4727 SE 92nd Ave., Portland, OR 97266

What to bring: Participants are encouraged to bring a glove and water at minimum





Winning participant will receive:

- 1 Round-trip flight from PDX to Mazatlan
- Round-trip shuttle from airport to hotel
- Shared Hotel room at The Royal Villas- https://www.royalvillas.com.mx
- Play in the game at <u>Estadio Teodoro Mariscal</u> with The Pickles against the Mazatlán Venados on September 30th, 2021

EVERYONE AND ANYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO TRYOUT, BUT WINNER MUST HAVE VALID PASSPORT OR IDENTIFICATION TO TRAVEL TO AND FROM MEXICO AND FOLLOW ALL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

If there are any questions, please email ross@picklesbaseball.com.

About the Portland Pickles: The Portland Pickles are a collegiate wood-bat baseball team founded in 2015 and based in Portland, Oregon. The team is a member of the West Coast League and plays home games at Walker Stadium in Portland's Lents Park. The Pickles are all about FUN and are recognized for presenting the best entertainment package in the Portland area. The Pickles lead the West Coast league in attendance and good times.

About the Mazatlán Venados: Venados de Mazatlán (English: Mazatlán Deer) are a baseball team in the Mexican Pacific League. In 2016 the team won the Mexican Pacific League Championship and went on to win their second Caribbean Series. Their Stadium, Estadio Teodoro Mariscal was constructed in 1962 with a capacity of 14,000 and is primarily used for baseball. It is 325 feet down the stadium's right and left field lines and 400 feet to the center field wall. The stadium is located in between Avenida Insurgentes and Reforma near Bosque de la Ciudad and The Aquarium.

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