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Volcanoes Sign Yasuo Rocket

April 16, 2013 – Vancouver, WA – The Vancouver Volcanoes have announced the signing of Yasuo Rocket for their 2013 Season. The 6'3" Guard from Saitama, Japan will add depth to an already deep Volcano roster.

The Volcanoes have been in training camp at Concordia University, which started April 3rd preparing for a championship run. "Yasuo has been unbelievable in camp so far" said Volcanoes Head Coach Joe Navarro. "He really understands the game, and has deep 3 range."

Yasuo is no stranger to the IBL, he played for the Nippon Tornadoes last season and averaged 19.8 points per game while shooting 43% from behind the three point line.

"We're very lucky to have a player with the skill set Yasuo has. He can shoot, defend, pass, and has a very high basketball I.Q", Navarro added. "He's also very athletic; he'll play above the rim and surprise our guys in practice. I remember him from last season, he scored 21 on us and was near a double double."

Yasuo will get his first opportunity with the Vancouver Volcanoes in their 9th season Friday, April 19, against the defending IBL champion Bellingham Slam at Whatcom Community College in Bellingham WA. Tip-off is at 7:00pm.

The first home game of the season for the Volcanoes is Sunday, April 21st, at 5:00 pm in the O'Connell Sports Complex on the southwest corner of the Clark College campus in Vancouver, WA and is featured as a "Fan Fest" for the community, with entry to this game FREE. The season home opener is schedule for the following Saturday, April 27th starting at 7:00 pm.

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The Volcanoes 2013 season schedule is available at www.ibl.com/schedule and tickets are available at http://www.ibl.com/vancouver_volcanoes/tickets

About Vancouver Volcanoes (2011 IBL Champions)

The Vancouver Volcanoes bring professional sports and entertainment to Clark County residents in a family friendly environment, with activities for kids, contests for fans, exciting high scoring action and fun for everyone, starting a new cherished family tradition. We put the dream into the team as a vehicle to help the young players, dancers and interns work toward and achieve their dreams, while giving back to the community by providing a venue to help showcase local organizations and talent.

About International Basketball League (IBL)

The International Basketball League (IBL) is an efficient men's professional basketball league heading into our ninth season based in Vancouver, Washington, USA engaging high level athletes, coaches and business professionals, dedicated to fostering international basketball talent focused on providing family friendly events for fans in great communities. Our full season and branding teams have spanned North America with International Tour Teams who participate in our high level competition from late April until early July just as the NBA Development League and many overseas leagues are winding down attracting first-class athletes. IBL teams play in quality venues with unique on-court rules which create a fast-paced, high scoring, exciting game. Players move into positions with the NBA Development League (D League) as well as international leagues overseas such as our partner the Basketball Japan League (BJL), Chinese Basketball Association (CBA), South East Australian Basketball League (SEABL), Basketball Bundesliga (BBL), Portuguese Basketball League (LCB) and many more.

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