

INSIDE THE FLY BY NIGHT

2007

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

Projected Finish

CALIFORNIA DREAMERS

HOTLANTA POSSUMS

HART STREET HOGS

FLORIDA SUN

ARSENAL GUNNERS

YORK TOWN ADMIRALS

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Slam dunk for California this year. They are clearly the best team in the AL. The battle here will be for second place and also likely for the all-important third wild card spot. This could potentially be a tight race with Hotlanta likely coming out on top and Hart Street edging out Florida for third. Arsenal and Yorktown will rumble for the rights to come in last. I like Yorktown there.

-California Dreamers

- Excellent Starting pitching top to bottom....so deep that Capuano was traded and Liriano relegated to the pen.
- Not too many bodies in the pen, but with Putz and Liriano, who cares. They'll get the job done.
- Nice balanced offense. The addition of Chipper Jones, Carlos Delgado and Chris Duncan provide some serious punch in the middle of the lineup. How did Duncan last to 51! What the hell is wrong with you people! Get a couple and go for it! :)
- Not the best defensive squad; especially if they have Hawpe and Dunkin in the outfield at the same time...but it won't matter.
- Start selling playoff tickets and pencil the Dreamers in for 100+ wins.

-Hotlanta Possums

- Most outstanding attribute will be right handed power at home. Biggest flaw is heavy dependence on right handed power at home.
- Starting pitching is ok, won't scare any one but will keep the Possums in games.
- Ditto for the bullpen. Not sure who the closer will be or if it will be closer by committee. Ramirez or Crain look like the leading candidates but neither is dominating. Testing out Klee's theory that dominating closers don't make a big difference?
- Good defense on the infield, and of course Andrew in CF. Won't hurt their chances.
- Should win a lot of games at home....struggle some on the road, especially against tough RH starters...but I give them the slight edge in the wild card race.

-Hart Street Hogs

- Defending champs retooled a bit during the off-season loading up on starting pitching at the expense of their offense.
- Second best pitching staff in division....slightly better than Hotlanta.
- Pretty solid defense with 2's in most of the key spots.
- Decent on-base offensively but next to no home run power.
- Defense and pitching will keep the Hogs in most games...but the lack of offense will likely make for a long season. However, I think the Hogs are the most likely candidate for the 3rd wild card and could beat out Hotlanta with some luck.

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-Florida Sun

- Garland, Lieber and Radke are ok, not good. The rest of the rotation is ugly.
- Hoffman is still a top closer. The rest of the pen is pretty bad.
- Offensively this team ok. Just a bunch of middle of the road bats. Won't scare anyone.
- Defensively this team is in the top half of the league with Vizquel, Hunter and Rodrigez up the middle. Of course they will lose some of that if they sit Rodriguez some so Johjima gets time.
- Just a mediocre 75-80 win team that doesn't have enough of any one thing to contend.

-Arsenal Gunners

- Improved themselves significantly in the draft. The starting pitching is not bad, but the left handers are not good enough against right handed hitters to succeed regularly.
- Walker and Castro are good but the rest of the pen is a mess.
- Offensively not bad either, with some nice pop in the middle of the lineup. Huge year by Dye. Blalock was disappointing.
- Defensively ok as well. It would have helped had Dye not received a 4.
- The heavy reliance on left handed pitching will hurt the Gunners. I think they will beat out the Admirals for 5th place, but I wouldn't expect more than that.

-Yorktown Admirals

- The starting rotation needs a serious overhaul. Johnson and Clemens have good cards but should be moved. There isn't much promise elsewhere.
- If the Admirals lead going into the 7th inning they'll be tough....assuming they keep Wagner and Betancourt. I think the wise move would be to trade Wagner before it's too late.
- Offensively not a bad crew. The middle of the lineup is still fomitbable with the likes of Manny and Sexson. However, no where near what it was a year ago when
- Traded off assets last year to go for it....paying the price now. Some hope next year if Merk can rebuild the rotation, but for this year the Admirals will battle Arsenal to stay out of the basement.

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			<u>VS LHP</u>				<u>VS RHP</u>			
1B) DELGADO	576	4e9								
HILLENBRAND	583	4e7								
2B) LOPEZ	663	3e18	1 Lopez-2B	40	49	2	Figgins-LF	35	49	w
KINSLER	465	3e25	2 Aybar-3B	43	55	w	Kinsler-2B	41	53	2
SS) RENTERIA	658	3e14	3 Renteria-SS	50	68	2	Hawpe-RF	40	59	4
3B) LOWELL	630	1e6	4 Kearns-RF	48	71	8	Delgado-1B	38	72	8
AYBAR	267	4e25	5 Salmon-DH	43	67	8	Jones-DH	50	73	8
C) COSTE	217	4(0)e6	6 Delgado-1B	28	48	7	Lowell-3B	36	56	5
ALFONZO	315	4(+1)e4	7 Hillenbrand-DH	40	52	2	Rowand-CF	34	45	1
MARRERO	102	4(+2)e16	8 Marrero-C	46	53	2	Renteria-SS	36	45	0
LF) FIGGINS	667	3(0)e8	9 Rowand-CF	21	40	6	Costa-C	44	58	2
DUNCAN	308	4(+1)e8		39.9	55.9	4.1		39.3	56.7	3.3
CF) ROWAND	446	1(0)e8								
Figgins	---	3(0)e8	<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
RF) KEARNS	591	2(-3)e8	Jones-3B	27	56	8	Aybar-3B	36	47	0
Hawpe	549	4(-3)e5	Costa-C	33	51	6	Duncan-LF	43	77	8
DH) C JONES	452						Alfonzo-C	27	50	8
SALMON	232						Kearns-RF	35	46	4

VS LHH:

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
SCHILLING	224	19	35	4	19	34	4
ROGERS *	224	24	34	2	24	34	3
LOWE	240	28	37	2	21	25	0
HILL *	109	31	50	2	18	32	5
WEAVER	135	18	43	8	9	11	0
CAPUANO,C. *	75	24	32	0	19	38	4

VS RHP:

<u>BULLPEN:</u>							
PUTZ,J.J.	86	10	16	0	9	9	0
LIRIANO	133	17	17	0	13	19	1
VILLAREAL	102	23	42	6	24	33	2
WUERTZ,M.	45	10	21	0	23	33	3

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			<u>VS LHP</u>				<u>VS RHP</u>			
1B) FIELDER	626	4e12								
PEREZ	205	4e14								
2B) GILES	605	2e14	1 Beltre-3B	37	55	2	Giles-2B	39	47	0
EASLEY	208	3e17	2 Barrett-C	42	76	8	Barrett-C	41	53	3
SS) WILSON	597	2e23	3 Alou-LF	43	84	8	Scott-LF	48	85	5
3B) BELTRE	682	1e16	4 Ross-DH	39	94	8	Lee-DH	37	61	8
C) BARRETT	413	4(+2)e1	5 Cuddyer-RF	41	60	5	Fielder-1B	36	50	4
			6 A Jones-CF	36	60	8	A Jones-CF	37	58	8
ROSS	272	3(-2)e8	7 Perez-1B	30	50	8	Cuddyer-DH	36	55	6
LF) ALOU	380	4(+1)e8	8 Easley-2B	32	43	3	Beltre-3B	31	48	6
SCOTT	235	3(+1)e3	9 Wilson-SS	37	38	0	Wilson-SS	30	45	w
CF) A JONES	622	1(-3)e2								
RF) CUDDYER	613	3(-2)e6		37.4	62.2	5.6		37.2	55.8	4.4
DH) C LEE	686									

Key Reserves:

Scott-LF	52	61	0
Lee-DH	34	47	4

Key Reserves:

Alou-LF	33	59	8
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VS LHH:

	<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
HENSLEY	29	36	0	26	36	3
ESCABAR	20	32	6	24	32	0
JENNINGS	29	38	0	22	29	2
COOK	29	50	2	20	23	0
PARK	25	44	3	28	39	4

VS RHP:

HENSLEY	29	36	0	26	36	3
ESCABAR	20	32	6	24	32	0
JENNINGS	29	38	0	22	29	2
COOK	29	50	2	20	23	0
PARK	25	44	3	28	39	4

ROTATION:

	<u>IP</u>
HENSLEY	206
ESCABAR	208
JENNINGS	233
COOK	234
PARK	150

BULLPEN:

		<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
CRAIN	84	21	24	2	24	35	0
EMBREE*	58	22	30	0	23	34	3
RAMIREZ	75	25	46	1	19	25	0
OLIVER*	89	13	33	8	18	32	5
MYERS,M. *	34	23	44	2	21	22	0
BORKOWSKI	78	27	46	1	20	36	3

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KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

	<u>AB</u>	<u>DEFENSE</u>
1B) MILLAR	473	4e7
HELMS	264	3e4
2B) KENNEDY	496	2e11
GOMEZ	145	4e12
SS) CROSBY	394	2e21
Punto	---	3e20
3B) PUNTO	505	2e17
GONZALEZ	164	3e10
C) KENDALL	607	2(0)e1
VALENTIN	205	4(-1)e16
LF) DEJESUS	540	2(0)e4
Rivera	---	4(-2)e10
CF) GRANDERSON	656	2(+1)e1
Salazar	58	3(+2)e1
RF) JENKINS	520	3(-3)e8
BRUNTLETT	131	3(+1)e21
DH) RIVERA	493	

LINEUP VS LHP

	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
1 Kendall-C	53	62	W
2 Bruntlett-RF	44	52	W
3 Gomez-2B	47	52	0
4 Rivera-DH	39	61	8
5 Helms-3B	52	65	2
6 Dejesus-LF	47	73	1
7 Punto-SS	43	51	W
8 Millar-1B	34	44	1
9 Granderson-CF	23	40	3
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	42	56	2

Key Reserves:

LINEUP VS RHP

	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
Kendall-C	39	40	W
Jenkins-RF	38	52	3
Millar-1B	45	57	3
Rivera-DH	37	54	7
Granderson-CF	36	49	3
Dejesus-LF	34	50	W
Kennedy-2B	34	51	W
Punto-3B	34	43	w
Crosby-ss	28	35	3
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	36	48	2

Key Reserves:

Helms-1B	42	78	7
Gomez-2B	45	58	W
Salazar-CF	47	57	0

VS LHH:

<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
29	48	2
20	39	4
25	38	2
29	53	4
24	32	0
27	53	3

VS RHP:

<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
17	24	0
22	33	0
30	44	1
24	36	5
19	38	4
7	15	2

ROTATION:

	<u>FBN</u>	<u>IP</u>
BONDERMAN	235	
PEAVY	223	
PENNY	208	
LIDLE	188	
CAPUANO,C. *	168	
PATTERSON	45	

BULLPEN:

CORDERO	81	16	30	3	10	32	8
PROCTOR	113	8	17	3	23	33	2
SPEIER	56	10	21	3	27	42	0
OHMAN *	72	21	26	0	24	34	1
PERALTA	81	37	66	8	14	30	4

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	<u>AB</u>	<u>DEF</u>	<u>LINEUP</u>				<u>LINEUP</u>			
			<u>VS LHP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>VS RHP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
1B) HELTON	601	2e5								
2B) UGGLA	672	3e16								
SS) VIZQUEL	637	1e4	1 Cruz-RF	53	74	1	Vizquel-SS	34	47	W
3B) ITZURIS	387	3e27	2 Vizquel-SS	46	49	W	Uggla-2B	34	50	7
WALKER	486	5e50	3 Helton-1B	46	53	0	Helton-1B	42	58	2
C) RODRIGUEZ	602	2(-4)e1	4 Hunter-CF	43	59	7	Jones-RF	33	51	6
JOHJIMA	557	4(0)e2	5 Rodriguez-C	39	54	4	Hunter-CF	29	46	8
LF) BURKE	403	3(+1)e3	6 Murton-DH	41	53	4	Murton-DH	40	48	1
GROSS	229	3(-2)e7	7 Burke-LF	42	50	0	Itzuris-3B	41	49	0
CF) HUNTER	613	1(-3)e5	8 Uggla-2B	40	53	1	Johjima-C	33	48	7
RF) J JONES	586	3(+2)e8	9 Randa-3B	25	36	W	Burke-LF	37	49	1
CRUZ	245	3(-1)e7		41.7	53.4	1.9		35.9	49.6	3.6
LINDEN	85	2(0)e5								
DH) MURTON	501		<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
LIN D	66						Gross-LF	43	60	5
							Linden-OF	40	56	0
							Lind-PH	51	81	3
							Walker-3B	39	45	0

VS LHH:

VS RHP:

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
GARLAND,J.	232	25	39	1	28	45	2
LIEBER,Jon	185	25	41	4	22	36	3
RADKE,B.	179	26	42	3	31	43	4
LOHSE	139	29	36	0	33	45	4
BUCHHOLZ	124	20	43	6	25	43	5
KUO*	66	32	41	0	27	34	0
COLON	62	36	59	8	16	35	6

BULLPEN:

HOFFMAN,T.	69	14	20	0	12	19	3
COFFEE	86	37	52	2	23	34	0
NOVOA	84	32	44	2	21	41	7
MESA	79	25	37	5	33	44	0
HERNANDEZ, R	70	40	52	2	15	20	0
MARTE	64	21	24	1	32	41	1
GUARDADO *	41	18	31	1	37	71	8

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			<u>VS LHP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>VS RHP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
1B) STAIRS	383	4e11								
SAENZ	197	4e18								
2B) POLANCO	507	2e10	1 Damon-CF	46	58	3	Damon-CF	34	51	4
YOUNG	151	4e41	2 Kielty-RF	37	68	8	Polanco-2B	33	38	W
SS) AMEZAGA	367	3e27	3 Saenz-1B	49	83	8	Bonds-DH	45	69	8
ITZURIS	211	2e17	4 Bonds-DH	47	69	8	Dye-RF	37	65	8
3B) BLALOCK	650	3e16	5 Dye-RF	49	74	8	Stairs-1B	31	44	5
C) NAPOLI	295	3(0)e8	6 Shoppach-C	32	56	6	Blalock-3B	30	39	2
LOPEZ	376	5(+3)e3	7 Polanco-2B	27	44	W	Payton-LF	34	49	W
SHOPPACH	121	3(0)e6	8 Blalock-3B	24	30	0	Napoli-C	41	59	8
LF) PAYTON	613	2(-1)e8	9 Itzuris-SS	16	16	W	Amezaga-SS	37	46	W
KIELTY	---	3(0)e2		36.3	55.3	4.6		35.8	51.1	3.9
CF) DAMON	652	2(+2)e4								
RF) DYE	593	4(-2)e7	<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
Kielty	297	3(0)e2	PAYTON-LF	31	45	5	SAENZ-1B	33	54	6
DH) BONDS	404		Napoli-C	39	53	7				
Dye	---									

VS LHH:

VS RHP:

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
WILLIS*	246	21	25	2	29	36	1
GARCIA	238	22	33	0	21	41	5
ROBERTSON*	230	7	13	0	29	42	6
OLSON*	199	9	17	3	27	42	3
JAMES*	131	41	58	3	18	32	6
MOEHLER	134	37	55	4	31	53	5

BULLPEN:

WALKER,J. *	53	15	34	4	15	29	6
CASTRO*	35	19	19	0	19	26	0
CHULK,V.	51	13	18	0	33	44	5
CORMIER*	53	30	53	5	23	30	0
CASSIDY	47	16	32	2	34	61	8
FLORES	46	32	37	1	41	65	5

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1B) SEXSON	650	3e4								
2B) IGUCHI	611	2e10	1 Theriot-3B	60	73	0	Iguchi-2B	40	48	2
SS) ROLLINS	758	2e12	2 Iguchi-2B	35	44	1	Davanon-RF	41	57	1
3B) CHAVEZ	534	1e6	3 Rollins-SS	29	47	6	Ramirez-LF	51	81	8
THERIOT	148	4e37	4 Ramirez-LF	55	84	8	Sexson-1B	35	58	8
C) VARITEC	402	2(0)e3	5 Sexson-1B	31	49	7	Griffey-CF	29	48	8
MIRABELLI	201	3(+1)e1	6 Casey-DH	31	45	5	Chavez-3B	36	51	5
LF) RAMIREZ	494	4(-2)e3	7 Griffey-CF	13	27	8	Varitec-C	29	38	4
CF) GRIFFEY	471	3(0)e8	8 Guillen-RF	15	33	7	Rollins-SS	31	49	1
Devanon	---	3(0)e6	9 Mirabelli-C	30	38	0	Casey-DH	30	43	W
RF) DEVANON	243	3(0)e7		33.2	48.9	4.7		35.8	52.6	4.1
GUILLEN	265	3(-1)e5								
DH) CASEY	437		<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
PAGAN			Chavez-3B	28	41	4	Theriot	43	65	1

VS LHH:

<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
9	17	0
30	57	8
30	36	0
25	34	0
26	35	2
22	39	8
14	25	0

VS RHP:

<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
23	36	4
31	46	5
36	51	4
9	13	1
34	52	5
34	49	1
35	57	5

ROTATION:

<u>IP</u>
226
198
194
124
101
138
85

BULLPEN:

	<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
WAGNER*	80	2	3	1	20	24
BETANCOURT	62	10	19	0	13	29
WEATHERS,D.	81	25	31	3	19	37
ADKINS	59	37	41	0	24	38
DE LA ROSA*	87	39	58	8	33	45