

# INSIDE THE FLY BY NIGHT

2009

## NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

### Projected Finish

Taxachusetts  
Connecticut  
Middlesex  
Hazardville  
Klee's  
New England

I saved this division for last because it's the best one....plus I have a huge agenda. I one the first round picks for TX, MC and KK. I also have the #2 picks for MC, KK and NE. So naturally I would like CT and HZ to come in 1-2. LOL.

I'll start at the bottom. The rebuilding Angels will be turning their cheek so much this year manager Fogg may need a neck brace by the end of the year. After a nice draft there is hope for the future, including what is likely to be the #1 pick in the 2010 draft. You can pencil in the Angels for at least 110 losses.

After NE it gets a little hairy. I'm going with the Klubbers for 5th place. Not because the team is not very good, but because they manage to underachieve just about every year, so I'm counting on that again. Really solid team with great offense led my Markakis, Berkman and Ramirez. Solid defense and good pen, though I guess Thorton is your closer and I'm not big on LH closers, especially against teams like the Chiefs. The rotation is solid but could have some issues if other teams can play to the reverse sides of guys like Lilly and Lacky.

I think the Kegs are a tad below the Klubbers, but again I'm counting on the Klee-factor to push the Kegs up a bit. Great defense with "1"s at first, second, third and center. Offensively this team is a rung below the other teams in the division but still have a solid core with Teixeira, Beltran, Pedrioa, etc. Solid rotation with Hudson and Oswalt leading the way, but the pen is just ok.

I think the top three teams on paper in this division are TX, CT and MC. I think what separates MC from the other two on the negative side is the lack of a stud or two at the top of the rotation. Very solid rotation, but no what that matches up with guys like Santana and Lee. Very good lineup but a little less long-ball capability than the Chiefs and the Devils. Great pen topped off with Rivera and Kuo.

It's hard to bet against the Blue Devils after what Dave managed to do with a mediocre team last year. This team is so much better than last year's I have to imagine the results will be big. Great top four in the rotation. I believe they are all #1's if you take any head of Lammana's ratings. The infield is a little weak with a 4 at second and a mish-mash at 3B. Also LF is nothing special, but nice up the middles with McCann, Reyes and Sizemore. The pen is solid with Valverde and Caps finishing games.

I had Taxachusetts as low as 3rd but moved them up after the Bartlett acquisition. I think getting the improved defense at SS makes a small difference, but in such a tight division that could be enough. Some definite problems on defense with Burell in LF and Cabrera at 1B, but I think Burrell will lose time to better defensive options. The should score a ton and hit lots of HRs. Drew, Wright and Cabrera are all big time sluggers in the middle of the order. Santana, Peavy and Beckett at the top of the rotation....doesn't get much better than that. The pen is not that great after Jenks, but should have enough specialty guys to get the job done.

This is definitely one of the toughest divisions in recent memory. The top five teams are all good and any one of them could potentially win the division. Starting pitching is always big so that's why I'm going with the Chiefs and Blue Devils. Good luck to all....but especially to the guys who's picks I don't have. Let the blood bath begin.

Well, that's a wrap on another Inside the FBN! I hope you all have a fun season. Time to roll!!!

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## TAXACHUSETTS CHIEFS

### KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

		<u>AB</u>	<u>DEF</u>	<u>LINEUP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>LINEUP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
				<u>VS LHP</u>				<u>VS RHP</u>			
1B)	CABRERA	678	5e11								
	MIENKVCH	314	2e4								
2B)	MATSUI	413	3e21	1 BARTLETT-SS	42	61	w	WRIGHT-3B	38	53	7
	ECKSTEIN		3e8	2 CABRERA-1B	39	62	8	CABRERA-1B	32	54	8
SS)	BARTLETT	499	2e21	3 WRIGHT-3B	65	91	7	BURRELL-LF	34	52	8
	URIBE	356	3e19	4 CAMERON-CF	43	64	8	GROSS-RF	37	50	4
3B)	WRIGHT	689	2e16	5 BURRELL-DH	44	68	4	DREW-CF	45	65	8
C)	AUSMUS	238	2(0)e1,T-10(pb-3)	6 BROWN-LF	31	45	8	THOME-DH	37	56	7
	BARAJAS	384	3(0)e1,T-7(pb-0)	7 DREW-RF	52	72	6	BARAJAS-C	33	46	3
LF)	BURRELL	590	5(-1)e2	8 AUSMUS-C	32	40	2	MATSUI-2B	38	50	0
	BROWN	442	4(+1)e7	9 ECKSTEIN-2B	38	58	w	BARTLETT-SS	32	36	w
CF)	CAMERON	488	1(-1)e1		43	62	5		36	51	5
	DREW	--	3(-1)e6								
RF)	DREW	405	2(-1)e6	<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
	GROSS	380	3(-2)e13	MATSUI	36	52	w	DYE	34	56	6
DH)	THOME	553		THOME	33	55	8	MIENKVCH	42	51	w
	WISE							CAMERON	28	45	7
								ECKSTEIN	38	44	w

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	Hold	<u>VS LHH:</u>			<u>VS RHP:</u>		
			<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
SANTANA,J*	257	-2	22	33	4	18	27	1
PEAVY	190	+2	24	31	3	16	21	3
MOYER*	216	0	22	34	4	28	40	0
BECKETT,J.	191	-1	20	32	5	22	35	1
DAVIS,D.*	161	0	41	52	0	30	41	1
RUSCH*	92	-1	20	30	1	28	48	3

<u>BULLPEN:</u>								
JENKS	68	+1	15	21	0	17	31	2
SCHOENWS	62	-1	9	15	3	42	60	4
CORDERO	77	+4	23	25	0	31	44	3
CARLYL	69	+1	23	37	4	21	25	0
MOTA	63	+2	40	50	5	21	34	1
CARRASCO	43	1	5	5	0	21	41	1

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## CONNECTICUT BLUE DEVILS

### KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

		<u>AB</u>	<u>DEF</u>	<u>LINEUP</u> <u>VS LHP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>LINEUP</u> <u>VS RHP</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
1B)	KONERKO	482	3e10								
	BOONE,A.	255	3e4	1 REYES-SS	35	52	1	REYES-SS	37	56	4
2B)	LOPEZ, J	708	4e14	2 DELGADO-DH	28	47	8	RIOS-RF	38	58	1
	COUNSELL	273	2e5	3 RIOS-RF	31	41	0	DELGADO-DH	35	59	8
SS)	REYES	757	2e18	4 SIZEMORE-CF	32	42	5	SIZEMORE-CF	38	61	8
3B)	WIGGINTON	425	4e13	5 MCCANN-C	45	60	0	MCCANN-C	38	63	8
	COUNSELL	273	3e5	6 WIGGINTON-3B	50	75	8	KONERKO-1B	35	47	4
C)	MCCANN	560	3(+1)e1,T-9(pb-1)	7 BOONE,A. -1B	38	50	3	GONZALEZ-LF	31	46	2
	HALL	140	3(+2)e7,T-1(pb-0)	8 KAPLER-LF	38	68	6	LOPEZ, J-2B	33	47	2
LF)	GONZALEZ	375	4(+3)e9	9 LOPEZ, J-2B	31	40	3	COUNSELL-3B	39	45	W
	KAPLER	252	2(-1)e3		36	53	4		36	54	4
CF)	SIZEMORE	697	1(0)e2	<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
RF)	RIOS	699	2(-3)e4	KONERKO	33	52	5	WIGGINTON	29	46	7
DH)	DELGADO	658		HALL-C	38	46	3	KAPLER-LF	34	47	2

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>Hold</u>	<u>VS LHH:</u>			<u>VS RHP:</u>		
			<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
DANKS*	215	+5	29	36	0	19	29	1
SHEETS	218	+1	21	36	0	16	29	2
BUSH	204	+4	20	42	6	15	27	4
LEE*	245	-3	23	31	0	16	20	0
MOEHLER	165	0	32	51	4	19	31	2

<u>BULLPEN:</u>								
CAPPS	59	0	6	15	1	14	28	4
VALVERDE,J	79	+6	10	16	3	18	40	4
GRABOW*	84	-3	30	30	0	20	29	5
BLEVINS*	42	0	9	11	0	27	35	0
LINCOLN	77	-4	10	25	4	33	39	2

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## Middlesex Mudd Cats

### KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

	<u>AB</u>	<u>DEF</u>	<u>LINEUP</u>		<u>LINEUP</u>				
1B)	VOTTO	579	3e13	<u>VS LHP</u>				<u>VS RHP</u>	
2B)	ROBERTS	672	2e8		<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>		<u>OB</u> <u>TB</u> <u>HR</u>
SS)	AYBAR	381	2e33	1 VOTTO-1B	39	57	4	VOTTO-1B	35 53 4
	ITZURIS	319	3e6	2 ROBERTS	46	66	W	ROBERTS-2B	42 56 0
3B)	DEROSA	556	3e25	3 DEROSA-3B	48	62	2	DEROSA-3B	40 54 4
	BELLIARD	--	4e33	4 NAPOLI-C	46	72	8	ZAUN-C	37 46 1
C)	NAPOLI	250	3(+1)e3,T-4(pb-4)	5 HAIRSTON-LF	54	71	2	DEJESUS-LF	39 53 4
	ZAUN	270	4(+1)e5,T-12(pb-1)	6 LUDWICK-RF	35	69	8	LUDWICK-RF	43 73 8
LF)	DEJESUS	570	2(0)e1	7 BELLIARD-DH	46	76	8	EDMONDS-DH	33 54 8
	HAIRSTON	287	3(0)e6	8 ELSBURY-CF	37	47	3	ELSBURY-CF	33 39 1
CF)	ELSBURY	609	2(+1)e0	9 AYBAR-SS	<u>30</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>W</u>	ITZURIS-SS	<u>33</u> <u>42</u> <u>W</u>
RF)	LUDWICK	592	2(0)e4		42	62	4		37 52 3
	ELSBURY	--	2(+1)e0						
DH)	EDMONDS	374		<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>	
	BELLIARD	326		DEJESUS-LF	34	46	W	NAPOLI	38 74 8
	HOFFPAUIR	80						BELLIARD-DH	40 52 0
	METCALF	62						HAIRSTON	43 56 0
								HOFFPAUIR	50 72 1
								METCALF	45 102 8

	<u>IP</u>	Hold	<u>VS LHH:</u>			<u>VS RHP:</u>		
<u>ROTATION:</u>			<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
FLOYD	227	+9	25	44	5	17	32	1
GREINKE	222	-4	27	48	3	17	21	2
LESTER	231	-2	14	20	0	29	37	1
LOOPER	219	-1	27	41	5	25	37	3
MUSSINA	220	0	15	18	0	29	48	5
<u>BULLPEN:</u>								
RIVERA	78	+3	0	0	0	5	11	0
KUO*	88	-2	10	14	0	15	22	0
DOWNS *	78	-3	12	17	0	20	21	0
DOTEL	74	+9	21	36	6	17	27	4
TORRES	88	-3	31	34	1	23	29	0
TALLET*	62	+4	29	37	0	17	25	3

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## HAZARDVILLE POWDERKEGS

### KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

			<b>LINEUP VS LHP</b>			<b>LINEUP VS RHP</b>						
	<u>AB</u>	<u>DEF</u>		<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>		<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>		
1B)	TEIXEIRA	631	1e5	1	LOWRY-3B	49	78	W	TEIXEIRA-1B	43	72	8
2B)	PEDROIA	718	1e6	2	TEIXEIRA-1B	49	62	3	PEDROIA-2B	45	59	2
SS)	TEJADA	695	2e12	3	PEDROIA-2B	40	60	5	TEJADA-SS	32	40	1
3B)	ROLEN	449	1e16	4	THOMAS-LF	45	61	w	ROLEN-3B	38	54	2
	LOWRY	286	3e12	5	FLORES-C	31	48	4	MOLINA-C	31	47	5
C)	MOLINA	583	2(-1)e1,T-5(pb-0)	6	KOTCHMAN-DH	33	51	5	BOGGS-LF	34	43	0
	FLORES	331	4(0)e2,T-8(pb-2)	7	BELTRAN-CF	44	72	7	BELTRAN-CF	34	49	5
LF)	BOGGS	311	3(0)e7	8	PENCE-RF	21	34	5	PENCE-RF	32	40	4
	THOMAS	128	2(-1)e21	9	TEJADA-SS	31	53	0	SCUTARO-DH	39	47	w
	SCUTARO	--	4(+3)e16			38	58	3		36	50	3
CF)	BELTRAN	667	1(-2)e3									
RF)	PENCE	655	2(-3)e1		<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>			
DH)	SCUTARO	569			ROLEN-3B	40	51	0	THOMAS	43	51	5
	KOTCHMAN	578			MOLINA-C	32	47	w				
					SCUTARO-LF	34	40	2				

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>Hold</u>	<u>VS LHH:</u>			<u>VS RHP:</u>		
			<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
BUERLE *	240	-4	28	46	2	25	34	1
MECHE	231	0	19	28	1	29	41	2
OSWALT	229	-4	20	31	1	21	30	3
BILLINGSLY	220	-1	30	35	0	17	22	1
HUDSON	156	-2	24	41	3	16	19	0
 <u>BULLPEN:</u>								
DELCARMAN	81	3	18	22	0	22	36	5
MORROW	72	0	28	40	7	15	23	4
RAMIREZ	79	-1	27	30	0	14	16	0
RHODES*	39	-1	18	20	0	27	28	0
WASHBURN*	168	-2	20	29	1	31	48	4

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## KLEE'S KLUBBERS

### KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

		<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>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
1B)	BERKMAN	609	3e5						WINN-LF	40	52	w
2B)	CASTILLO	328	3e13						CUST-DH	40	59	8
	CALLASPO-KC	234	3e4	1	CALLASPO-2B	43	47	W	MARKAKIS-RF	49	65	3
SS)	HARDY	626	2e17	2	CUST-DH	43	58	8	BERKMAN-1B	49	76	6
3B)	RAMIREZ	609	2e20	3	MARKAKIS-RF	46	63	2	RAMIREZ-3B	44	65	6
C)	SNYDER	367	2(-1)e0,T-1(pb-5)	4	HARDY-SS	44	67	8	HARDY-SS	32	46	3
	POSADA	185	4(+3)e2,T-2(pb-2)	5	BERKMAN-1B	35	44	5	SNYDER-C	34	50	4
	TEAGARDEN	52	2(0)e16,T-20(pb-3)	6	SNYDER-C	35	57	7	CABRERA-CF	28	30	1
LF)	WINN	658	2(0)e3	7	WINN-CF	31	46	6	CASTILLO-2B	39	40	w
	EVANS	120	4(+1)e9	8	RAMIREZ-3B	32	45	0		39	54	3
CF)	CABRERA	455	2(-2)e6	9	EVANS-LF	36	56	2				
	WINN	--	3(0)e3			38	54	4				
RF)	MARKAKIS	655	1(-3)e3									
DH)	CUST	529										

### Key Reserves:

CALLASPO-2B	38	44	W
TEAGARDEN	44	119	8

<u>ROTATION:</u>	<u>IP</u>	Hold	<u>VS LHH:</u>			<u>VS RHP:</u>		
			<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
HAMELS*	250	0	23	42	7	13	25	1
LILLY*	226	+1	38	61	6	16	31	3
REDDING	200	0	28	46	5	28	41	4
LACKEY,J.	179	0	11	21	6	31	47	7
KAZMIR*	167	0	9	16	0	25	40	6

### BULLPEN:

THORNTON*	74	0	12	14	1	10	19	1
SAITO	52	-2	17	20	0	20	29	0
BROCAIL	76	0	24	42	2	16	22	3
NELSON	59	0	15	21	0	15	24	5
WALKER	58	-1	27	60	8	17	21	2
WRIGHT*	62	+3	19	31	0	29	41	7

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## NEW ENGLAND ANGELS

### KEY POSITION PLAYERS:

	<u>AB</u>	<u>DEF</u>	<u>LINEUP</u>		<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>LINEUP</u>		<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
			<u>VS LHP</u>					<u>VS RHP</u>				
1B)	JACOBS	525	5e17									
	MOSS	--	4e25									
2B)	RAMIREZ	528	3e16	1 HILL-2B	55	65	W	DAVIS-DH	30	52	8	
	HILL	226	2e4	2 DICKERSON-CF	53	67	0	CROSBY-SS	28	42	W	
SS)	CROSBY	612	2e19	3 WILLINGHAM	41	56	6	KENDALL-C	32	39	W	
3B)	FELIZ	468	2e12	4 PEARCE-RF	37	78	8	WILLINGHAM-LF	39	60	4	
	DAVIS	--	4e16	5 RAMIREZ-3B	33	42	4	GUTIEREZ-RF	30	44	w	
C)	KENDALL	568	2(-1)e1,T-7(pb-0)	6 DAVIS-DH	31	69	8	RAMIREZ-2B	27	39	5	
	SANDOVAL	160	4(0)e8,T-7(pb-7)	7 MOSS-1B	35	53	0	JACOBS-1B	21	54	8	
LF)	WILLINGHAM	386	4(0)e3	8 KENDALL-C	33	44	W	FELIZ-3B	23	31	2	
	MOSS	260	3(0)e3	9 CROSBY-SS	24	33	1	GONZALEZ-CF	24	46	0	
	SNIDER	80	4(+2)e16		38	56	3		28	45	3	
CF)	GONZALEZ	358	2(-3)e4									
	DICKERSON	112	3(-1)e12	<u>Key Reserves:</u>				<u>Key Reserves:</u>				
	WILLITS	119	3(+1)e3	FELIZ	32	49	4	SANDOVAL	43	61	3	
RF)	GUTIEREZ	439	1(-2)e5	SNIDER	44	53	w	DICKERSON	46	78	7	
	PEARCE	120	3(+1)e13					MOSS	21	39	5	
DH)	BOWKER	359						BOWKER-DH	26	40	4	
	DAVIS	325										

	<u>IP</u>	<u>Hold</u>	<u>VS LHH:</u>			<u>VS RHP:</u>		
<u>ROTATION:</u>			<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
PETTITE,A. *	224	+4	10	15	0	36	48	2
GALARRAGA	197	-1	22	45	8	11	16	1
BACKE	184	-2	35	57	6	36	57	7
RODRIGUEZ*	151	-2	26	48	5	23	29	1
PONSON	150	-3	44	60	2	22	32	1

<u>BULLPEN:</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>Hold</u>	<u>OP</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>OB</u>	<u>TB</u>	<u>HR</u>
MASTERSON	97	4	30	45	6	15	19	2
VARAS	64	3	26	37	6	22	38	0
SMITH	69	4	48	72	0	22	30	1
ROLAND-SMITH*	130	-2	36	49	6	18	28	1
SANCHEZ	64	1	22	31	2	34	46	1