

3 THE FLY-BY-NIGHT: INSIDE NEWS:

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The National League East race is a dog fight! Four teams have had a share of first place since opening day. BRUNO'S hold first at this writing by one game over Connecticut. With six men batting over .300, and a team ave. at .284. But the starting pitching is weak with only Gooden below a 4.00 ERA! Connecticut's team ave. is .250, but the team ERA is 3.37! Pitching and fine defence are Connecticut's strong points.

The Cincinnati Reds franchise has been sold to Bill Nieman of 23 Devonshire Drive, Waterford Ct. 06385. Phone: 203-447-3414. The new team name is the Jar Heads! Rafael Ramirez had 7, straight hits against Galactic. In game one he went 4-4, with a triple and two doubles. Just missing a homerun and the cycle with his second double just staying in the ballpark. In the second game Ramirez went 3-3, with 2 doubles and a stolen base. The Jar Heads are 35-25.

CT Blue Devils Dragons vs. Blue Devils series both teams had trouble hitting on the road. Blue Devils shut out 21 straight innings at Allentown. The tables were turned as Dragons went thru 30 scoreless innings in Connecticut!!

Munson's Maunders: Will be hosting New England, BRUNO'S, and Wallingford on July 29th for some face to face action. In preparing for the trip to Ozone Park, N.Y., the three Connecticut teams will be sharing the same charter flight from Wallingford.

OTHER CT. NOTES: Since the recent acquisition of Len Dykstra & Tony Gwynn CT. management has been very happy. In their first 20 games as Blue Devils they were a combined 49 for 134 .366 ave. 7 doubles, 1 triple, 5 HOMERS (all by Gwynn). They scored 25 runs and knocked in 20. Five have been game winners!!! Pretty good stats!!! Tom Brunansky responded decently with the move to DH batting .260 in 18, games scoring 11 runs and a slugging % of .466 w/ 7 doubles. CT bullpen continues to be tough. In series #10 & #11: 3 wins, 1 loss, 6 saves, 2.38 ERA.

Munson's make deal for '88, season with Salem. The Maunders send Harold Baines, Ted Higuera, and Wallingford's second round draft pick to the Psychics for Buddy Bell, Harold Reynolds, and Rick Sutcliffe. A good trade for both teams.

Duke Mgr. Phil Weiss is on vacation but he isn't letting that stop the Blue Devils. Playing in different parks his "road gang" has won 9 out of 15 vs the NL East at "home"!!!

THE CAR 54 WHERE ARE YOU AWARD??
For missing this report: 3 PP's, East Meadow, Wallingford, Jupiter, Florida, and Richmond.

Lake Wobegon More scheduling problems with series dates but everyone is working it out. LW had no shut-outs at home until the Red Skins got into town. The Red Skins went down -- twice in a row!!

<>PENALTY POINTS<>

1. For late instructions & late results.
Wallingford 3, by Grand Fuzz: late instructions.
(All other Noble or Wallingford PP's do not count for lateness because of the earlier confusion.)

Dragon FIRE The Dragons are hitting .286 but our ERA is 4.33. We're scoring 5 runs a game and allowing 4.58, said Mgr. Cope. The pitchers must learn to be less generous to opposing hitters. The staff is averaging 12+ baserunners per.9 IP and 1+ homers. The defense was porous at first but has tightened up lately. The hitters are producing runs at a .244 clip which is good enough. Hopefully Ruffin will give the other starters some incentive to improve; his numbers have been good so far.

PP's for Cincinnati will not be charged against the Jar Heads.
Total Penalty Points up to date. (July 20, 1987)
Jupiter 9, Wallingford 12, Florida 6, East Meadow 3, Richmond 3, Lake Wobegon 3, Galactic 1, & Grand Fuzz 1.

BRUNO'S BITS: Dwight Gooden has turned his season around. He was 0-2 with a 6.82 ERA in his first six starts. In Gooden's last six starts he's 5-1 with a 1.50 ERA. SLUMPS Davey Lopes is 2-12 in his last eight games. 0-8 as a pinch hitter.

Schedule: Series 12 & 13 (08/03), 14, 15 & 16 (08/17), 17 & 18 (08/31), #19 (09/14), 20 & 21 (09/28), 22 & 23 (10/12)
One penalty point for being late, Three pinalty points for missing a due date completely!!!

SHUTOUTS Dwight Gooden has not allowed a run in his last 23 innings. SUBS Bill Madlock .302 & Ben Oglivie .279 are doing outstanding as the R/L DH pattoon. PINCH

NOTE: Someone didn't receive their 52, game stat report for me. I have it! Just drop me a line and I'll mail it right out to you.

HITTING Ben Oglivie is batting .333 (6-18) as a pinch hitter this year. He's 5-10, in his last 10 chances!

	IP	ERA	GA
<u>Munsons:</u> Releif Pitchers:	Jackson 22	1.66	13
	Snell 30	1.84	13
	Gossage 19	2.36	12

TEEM TALK: My team has been dissappointing, espicially on the road, said Mgr. Kutler. The bullpen really has not held up. You can see that by McCullers and Williams records.

This is why I'm winning. Plus no walks. 593 K's 200 BB's 747 IP!
NEW players: Winfield 8 hr in 21 games 76 AB. Kennedy 5 GWRBI in 19 games!!

Mattingly continues to be GREAT. Strawberry has only hit 1 homerun at home all year (9 for the season). The bottom line is the road record is horrible. I've lost 18 of my last 23 games. My team is not that bad. Also. I don't think all the teams I played are that good.

The Hall Of Records

1. Tolleson caught stealing 3, times in one game by RON HASSEY at BRUNO'S.
2. The Red Skins score only one run in 31 INNINGS vs Duke at BRUNO'S
3. Rafael Ramirez goes 7 for 7 vs Galactic at Jar Heads.
4. Danny Heep goes 7 for 10 vs Salem at Salem.

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST

	WON	LOST	GB	L10
Galactic	35	13	-	9-1
Jupiter	30	18	5	9-1
Grand Fuzz	27	21	8	7-3
Florida	18	22	13	0-10
Richmond	8	36	25	1-9

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST

	WON	LOST	GB	L10
Munson's	25	15	-	8-2
Cincinnati	24	16	1	7-3
Wallingford	6	10	5	
Yorktown	15	25	10	5-5
California	13	27	12	3-7

JUST THE FACTS:

<u>AVE.</u>		<u>HITS</u>		<u>RBI</u>		<u>HOMERUNS</u>	
Raines (GG)	.391	Raines (GG)	86	Hnderson (GG)	56	Schmidt (GG)	17
Hernandz (MM)	.377	Brown (RR)	71	Schmidt (GG)	56	Snyder (FE)	16
Hall (GF)	.362	Hernandz (MM)	69	Murray (GG)	50	Davis (GG)	15
Brown (RR)	.359	Schmidt (GG)	64	Coles (GF)	44	Hnderson (GG)	14
Bernzrd (CQ)	.346	Hnderson (GG)	64	Snyder (FE)	43	4 at	12
4 at	.333	2 at	63	Barfield (JH)	40		
<u>DOUBLES</u>		<u>TRIPLES</u>		<u>RUNS</u>		<u>STOLEN BASES</u>	
Hrnandz (MM)	17	Smith (GG)	4	Raines (GG)	56	Raines (GG)	30
Coles (GF)	16	Raines (GG)	4	Schmidt (GG)	44	Hnderson (GG)	30
Raines (GG)	14	Wilson (MM)	3	Murray (GG)	43	Cangelon (RR)	25
Hall (GF)	14	Franco (GF)	3	Hnderson (GG)	42	Brown (RR)	22
Franco (GF)	11	many at	2	Davis (GG)	38	Davis (GG)	20
2 at	10			Smith (GG)	36	Samuel (JH)	17
<u>WON LOST</u>		<u>ERA</u>		<u>STRIKEOUTS</u>		<u>INNINGS</u>	
Blyleven (GG)	10-3	McGffgan (GF)	2.66	Youmans (FE)	82	Blyleven (GG)	106
Moore (GG)	8-1	Moore (MM)	2.88	Witt (MM)	82	Clemens (MM)	96
Eckerley (GF)	7-1	Valnzuela (JH)	2.96	Vallnzela (JH)	82	Higuera (MM)	94
Whitt (MM)	7-3	McCaskill (GF)	3.12	Clemens (MM)	81	McCaskill (GF)	86
Clemens (MM)	6-4	Whitt (MM)	3.20	Higuera (MM)	74	Whitt (MM)	86
Hignera (MM)	6-5	Blyleven (GG)	3.29	McCaskill (GF)	68	Welch (MM)	84
<u>SAVES</u>		<u>GAMES</u>		<u>GAMES</u>			
Kerfeld (FE)	7	Clear (GG)	20	Howell (GF)	17		
Tekulve (JH)	7	Clements (CQ)	18	Johnson (GG)	17		
Murphy (GG)	6	Stewart (RR)	17	Rihette (GF)	16		

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players received by the Lime Sox were coming off sub-par seasons.

Lime Sox are gambling that Saberhagen, Murphy, and Candelaria will bounce back from off seasons and that McDowell will recover from his surgery to become the same effective reliever he was in the past. So far things are looking up. The third deal is a minor one but became necessary with the trading of Flannery and Fletcher. The Lime Sox sent minor league pitcher Al Nipper to the Florida Express for backup infielder Juan Bonilla, Nipper didn't figure in the future plans of the Lime Sox after struggling to a 1 - 16 record in the FBN 1986 season. Bonilla will back up Templeton and Marty Barrett in the Lime Sox infield.

Finally, in a recently completed deal the Lime Sox have sent rookie Greg Swindell to the Wallingford Twisters and receiver back from the Twisters Ruppert Jones and their number 1 draft pick for 1988. The Lime Sox will also send Wallingford another player to be named later.

In one final item New England management will recall Orlando Mercado from their AAA affiliate. Mercado will assume the backup catcher role now that Ron Karkovice has joined the Wallingford Twisters.

We haven't gone out on a limb yet with predictions for the 1987 season. But after observing the first 52 games of the season I think it would be safe in assuming that the Galactic Gladiators of Steve Walters should be the favorite

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NL EAST	WON	LOST	GB	NL WEST	WON	LOST	GB	AL EAST	WON	LOST	GB	AL WEST	WON	LOST	GB
BRUNO'S	28	24	-	East Md	28	16	-	Galact.	38	14	-	Munsons	31	21	-
Conn.	28	24	-	TEEM	29	23	3	Jupiter	30	18	2	Cinn.	27	19	1
New Eng.	27	25	1	Lake Wo.	26	26	6	G.F.	30	22	8	Wallingd	6	10	7
J & B	25	27	3	Duke	25	25	7	Florida	20	32	18	Yorktown	17	23	9
Salem	20	32	8	Dragons	24	24	8	Richmond	9	43	29	Califn.	14	30	15

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to win it all in 1987.

Division by Division I see it this way.

Galactic of course should have no trouble winning the AL East. This used to be a fearsome Division but realignment and the weakening of normally strong Jupiter should make this a cake walk for the Gladiators. Walters pitching staff shows signs of cracking but his awesome offense is just too much.

The AL West should be close but I see Munsons Marauders as the favorite here, Even though they are off to a slow start Munsons over all balance and fine pitching staff should come on to take it in the end.

In the NL West it looks like another battle between East Meadow and TEEM. Lake Wobegon could challenge these two but I think the Whippets are still a year away. Watch out for them next year though, East Meadow gets the nod here but only because of their ability to win it in the past.

In my own Division the NL East I would like to say the Lime Sox are the favorites but my conscience keeps getting in the way. Like the Whippets I think New Englands Lime Sox are still one year away. I look for Dave Gineos Connecticut Blue Devils to win this Division in a close 4 team race. BRUNO'S Red Skins and J & B will challenge the Blue Devils and in end the I think BRUNO'S should finish second here. Mgr. Rob Bruno always seems to find a way to keep his Red Skins winning. Its no wonder he was the FBN manager of the year last season. I've heard more than one manager remark how difficult it is to beat the Red Skins in spite of what appears to be limited talent. New England may surprise and challenge for second but it looks like Conn. first BRUNO'S 2nd J & B third and the Lime Sox and Salem 4th & 5th.

Schedule:

Series 1-11 (7/20), 1-13 (8/03), 1-16 (8/17), 1-18 (8/31), 1-19 (9/14), 1-21 (9/28), 1-23 final (10/12).

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<> PENALTY POINTS <> CORRECTION! Yorktown has NO PP's! Jeff Merklin called me with his W-L record ahead of time and I forgot! I'm sorry Jeff. Salem mailed out on time but the USMAIL returned it to him. He sent the envelope to me again and we cannot see why it was sent back to begin with. Salem no PP's. Lake Wobegon and Jupiter 3. Galactic and Grand Fuzz 1. WALLINGFORD 3.

*If you had games due from Brian in series 1-9 and you have not heard from him play them with the EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS. MAIL THE RESULTS TO ME!

Next: Total team starts for first 52, games. WATCH YOUR MAIL AFTER JULY 13th.

ALSO, COMMENTS FROM CONNECTICUT BLUE DEVILS; STEVE WALTERS NAME GAME

AND MORE!

PHIL PLAY THE CINN. AWAY GAMES WITH THE EMER. INST. MAIL ME THE RESULTS, STEVE SAID

OK. YOUR NEXT DUE DATE IS JULY 20th, for SERIES 10 + 11.

SPECIAL THANKS TO BRUCE FOGG AND JOE HULTS ON THEIR REPORTS. YOU'RE WELCOME TO DO THE SAME. JUST MAIL IT TYPED AND I'll PHOTO COPY IT OR I CAN ADD IT TO THE REGULAR REPORT.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	SOLITAIRE					FACE/FACE		DIVISION			
	WON	LOST	GB	L10	STREAK	HOME	AWAY	HOME	AWAY		
BRUNO'S	27	21	-	6-4	LOST 3	9-3	3-7	8-6	7-5	10-6	7-9
New England	26	22	1	6-4	WON 1	11-5	6-10	5-3	4-4	12-4	6-10
Connecticut	25	23	2	3-7	WON 1	10-4	7-8	5-7	3-4	7-9	8-8
J & B	25	23	2	7-3	WON 1	13-3	5-11	3-1	0-0	12-4	4-12
Salem	18	30	9	4-6	LOST 2	6-10	6--8	2-4	2-2	7-9	6-10
<u>WEST</u>											
East Meadow	28	16	-	5-5		20-4	8-12			12-4	5-7
TEEM	28	20	2	5-5	WON 2	16-10	12-10			10-6	5-11
Lake Wobegon	25	23	5	4-6		15-11	10-12			9-7	5-11
Dragons	24	24	6	7-3	WON 1	15-11	9-13			9-7	5-7
Duke	24	24	6							8-8	9-7

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<u>AVE.</u>	<u>HITS</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>HOMERUNS</u>
Mtngly (TE) .369	Mtngly (TE) 82	Mtngly (TE) 52	Parker (EM) 16
Boggs (JB) .369	Boggs (JB) 76	Horner (TE) 46	Deer (LW) 13
Knight (BR) .348	Bass (NE) 69	Parker (EM) 42	Midnado (LW) 12
Herr (TE) .347	Herr (TE) 69	Lynn (JB) 35	Lynn (JB) 11
Bass (NE) .343	Horner (TE) 66	Downing (JB) 32	Ripken (DR) 11
5 at .333	Kningt (BR) 62	Brunnsky (CT) 31	Incvglia (SP) 11
<u>DOUBLES</u>	<u>TRIPLES</u>	<u>RUNS</u>	<u>STOLEN BASES</u>
Mtngly (TE) 24	Wilson (DU) 6	Herr (TE) 43	Gladden (BR) 23
Barrett (NE) 18	Webster (CT) 5	Mtngly (TE) 34	Herr (TE) 15
Puckett (JB) 17	Downing (JB) 5	Bell (SP) 34	Bonds (LW) 15
Buckner (BR) 16	Smith (SP) 4	Smith (SP) 33	Backman (BR) 14
Morrison (DR) 15	Phelps (LW) 4	Boggs (JB) 33	Griffin (DU) 14
Dunston (LW) 15	Strawbry (TE) 4	Webster (CT) 31	Smith (SP) 13
<u>WON LOST</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>STRIKEOUTS</u>	<u>INNINGS</u>
Viola (EM) 9-0	Fernndez (CT) 2.45	Fernndez (CT) 92	Morris (JB) 106
Hurst (NE) 8-2	Dravecky (JB) 2.55	Morris (JB) 90	Cndiotti (SP) 92.2
Sutton (DU) 7-0	Viola (EM) 2.64	Gooden (BR) 63	Bddicker (LW) 87
Fernndez (CT) 7-3	Morris (JB) 2.78	Hurst (NE) 61	Rhoden (CT) 85.2
Morris (JB) 7-4	Black (TE) 2.87	Cndiotti (SP) 60	Gooden (BR) 85
Boyd (BR) 6-2	Correa (LW) 3.13	2 at 59	Davis (DR) 83.1
<u>SAVES</u>	<u>GAMES</u>		
Franco (DU) 12	Nelson (BR) 28		
Farr (BR) 11	Russell (NE) 28		
Worrell (LW) 10	McCullrs (TE) 26		
McCullers (TE) 7	Robinson (NE) 26		
Williams (TE) 7	Farr (BR) 26		

JOE HULTS IS PUTTING TOGETHER A NEW FRONT PAGE.

The insider: The New England News!! The New England Lime Sox are in the second year of a three year plan. Lime Sox management is hoping to field a team which can play .500 ball for the 1987 season (only its second season as a FBN franchise) In 1988 we hope to improve enough to win the NL East pennant. So far we seem to be almost on target. The Sox are 27 - 25 as of this writing and seem to be through one of the toughest portions of this seasons schedule. We won't realized our goals however by standing still. The Lime Sox have made four trades which go into effect with series 10. First the Lime Sox sent Scott Fletcher & Jeff Russell to Munsons Marauders for Gary Templeton and Bret Saberhagen, This won't help us much this season but Saberhagen will be a welcome addition to next seasons starting rotation. Next, the Lime Sox sent Tim Flannery, Ruppert Jones, Ron Karkivice and their 1988 1st round draft pick to the Wallingford Twisters for Dale Murphy, Roger McDowell and John Candelaria. these 1st two trades were made just after the 1987 season began and the key continued on bottom of page two.



Munson's Marauders

Noteworthy Newsletter

Issue #1

HELLO to all F-B-N members!

My name is Joseph A. Hults, and I am the manager of Munson's Marauders. I am offering this newsletter for two reasons. 1) I enjoy making people laugh 2) I am hoping that other managers will follow my lead and contribute some little tid-bits to Rob's report to make it more interesting. He is being nice enough to do it in the first place, but he can only put in as much as he gets. You don't have to write as much as I do, but a few lines from each manager would make for great reading. Plus I'm sure there will be rebuttals to some of my comments. So come on guys and gals, let's get to know each other.

First, let me tell you about myself. I am a 25 year old computer manager for a New York City construction company. I also run a computer service bureau from my home. I am married with three beautiful children. I enjoy softball, golf, and SOM. I was introduced to the FBN by Lime Sox manager Bruce Fogg at a Pro-Strat tournament on Long Island. Below: This is me trying to escape that same tournament. I didn't do very well, as you can tell.



Now for my team: Munson's Marauders

Probably the best team in the league (Did you expect honesty from someone who lives in NYC). The M&M's are led by the best pitching staff around.

Clemens, Witt, Higuera, and Welch have combined for a 3.48 era with 228 k's and only 73 walks. Boy, you're all lucky I traded Saberhagan to Bruce. Hernandez had 6 gwrbi's in the first 20 games. Niedenfuer still hasn't given up a hit. (We'll see what happens when he becomes activated.) My catchers, Sundberg & Moore, are batting 336 combined. Too bad they won't have cards next year since they are opening up a law firm together. Sundberg & Moore, get it? If I'm boring you just let Rob know.

My predictions for the current season are as follows.

AL East

Gladiators
Trippers
Cardinals
Hellbillies
Express

AL West

Marauders
Admirals
Wallingford
Quake
Suds

NL East

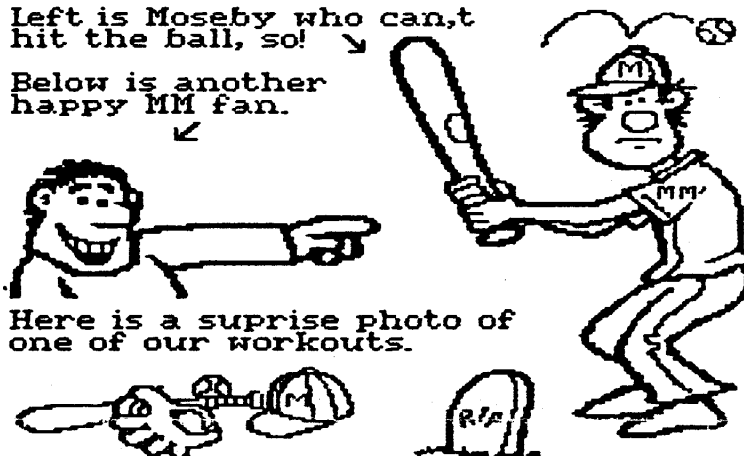
Lime Sox
Red Skins
Blue Devils
Psychics
Indians

NL West

Teem
Dragons
Mustangs
Whippets
Blue Devils

Left is Moseby who can't hit the ball, so!

Below is another happy MM fan.



Here is a surprise photo of one of our workouts.



Well I hope you have enjoyed my newsletter. And I hope everyone will contribute a little to Rob's report. The league is only as much fun as we make it. And whoever that was that just said I'm not here to have fun, I'll be seeing you!!

Good luck every one (except when you play me).

And may the dice be with you!

P.S. My predictions were made with very little background knowledge, so take them lightly. Except the AL West.