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COMMISSIONERS REVIEW:

The regular season has come to an end and I would like to thank everyone for another pleasurable year. I think the FNBBA is a helleuv league.

The Post Season is now underway. Congratulations to the ten play off bound teams. Good luck and have fun.

TRANSACTIONS: TRANSACTIONS: TRANSACTIONS: TRANSACTIONS

1. HS sends Raja Davis to Illinois in exchange for David Eckstein.
2. Milford receives David Ortiz, N.Garrciaparra and #67, & #68 from Illinois for Connor Jackson, R. Durham & #105.

2009 TRADED DRAFT PICKS

Only new traded draft picks will be listed from today until draft cut down day.

Thanks

2010 TRADED DRAFT PICKS

Burlington: #2 to HZ.

Illinois: #1, #2 & #3 to HS. Also, TX#1 to HS.

Klee's: #1 & #2 to HS. #3 to WS.

Middlesex: #1, #2, #3, #4 to HS. Also, SP#2 to NN.

Maine: #5 to CD

New England: #2 to HS.

Salem: #2 to MC. #5 to NN.

Taxachussets: #1 to IL

Urpaigh: #1 to MD.

YA#1 to BR.

THIS REPORTS -BP'S:

Updated: MC did send in his roster and rotation when I assessed 6 BP's. I forgot to remove them. YTD -BP's corrected.
Over use of players: YA 1 (Willie Harris by 5AB's), FS 1 (Garland 1.2IP) MY 1 (sending final stats and AB's IP on different sheets. President had to match ideas. Too time consuming.) MC 2 (Bennett 8 AB and Miner 1.1 IP)

YTD -BP'S:

Middlesex 11½, Florida 4, New England 3½, Urpaigh 3, Burlington 1½, Norwich 1, Yorktown 1, Maine 1.

Final -BP'S for 2009 Draft:

Middlesex 12

Subject: NL Wild Card Series

Long-time rivals Klee's Klubbers and the Connecticut Blue Devils hooked up in the NL Wild Card Series. The Blue Devils had home field advantage winning 95 games to the Klub's 93 wins. With newly born Wee Willie Klee nearby - the series began . . .

The DevilDome

Game 1 - John Smoltz vs. Rodrigo Lopez

The Klubbers long awaited return to the playoffs (after a 15 year absence) began well. Luis Castillo led off with a triple, Nick Markakis doubled him in one out later and Aramis Ramirez singled in Markakis an out later for a quick 2-0 Klubber lead in the 1st. But CT responded with a Jose Reyes single to lead off, stolen base, wild pitch to 3rd and a Grady Sizemore sac fly to cut the lead to 2-1. Smoltz settled down for the Klub and retired the next 10 Blue Devils in a row before 3 straight singles in the 5th tied the game at 2-2. Lopez was pulled out in the 5th inning for CT after walking 2 batters with one out. CJ Wilson came in and induced a double play ball from Markakis to end the inning. Grady Sizemore led off the 6th inning with a solo HR off Smoltz to give the Blue Devils a 3-2 lead. The CT bullpen then shut down the Klubbers over the last 4 innings allowing one hit and one walk to grab a 3-2 victory in Game 1.

WP-Valverde LP-Smoltz S-Corpas

Game 2 - John Lackey vs. Ben Sheets

The Blue Devils got to Lackey early getting 4 straight singles to start the 2nd inning including a 2 run single by Jose Reyes. A big error by J.J. Hardy led to 2 more runs and an RBI single from Travis Hafner capped the scoring with CT leading 5-0 after 2 innings and Lackey heading to the showers. Meanwhile, CT starter Ben Sheets was terrific as he has been all season. He spread 5 singles and 4 walks over 9 innings pitching a complete game shutout. HR's by Reyes, McCann and Hafner finished the scoring for the Blue Devils as they coasted to a 9-0 victory and the big 2-0 lead in the Series. WP-Sheets LP-Lackey

Heading to Jim Bouton Field - the Klub had been shutout for 17 straight innings after scoring in the 1st inning of Game 1. Things were not looking too good for the Klub

Game 3 - Roger Clemens vs. Shawn Hill

With their season on the line, the Klub sent Shawn Hill to the mound skipping potential lefty starters like Cole Hamels, Scott Kazmir and Ted Lilly. However, the Klubber offense took some pressure off Hill waking up in the 1st inning knocking Clemens around. Luis Castillo, Nick Markakis and Lance Berkman ripped singles around a walk to Jack Cust for 2 runs and then a double by J.J. Hardy along with a McLouth error scored 2 more runs for a 4-0 Klubber lead. Clemens would settle down after that spreading 4 singles over the next 6 innings keeping the Klubbers from scoring. However, Shawn Hill rose to the occasion and pitched great for the Klub. Hill went 6 innings allowing just 5 hits and no walks leaving in the 7th after giving up a single to the lead off batter Wilson Betemit who later scored on a Reyes sac fly. CT scratched another run in the 8th inning and headed into the 9th trailing 4-2 against the Klub's closer Takashi Saito. Saito seems to always keep things interesting when pitching against Connecticut and this was no exception. After striking out the first two batters of the 9th, Jose Reyes singled and Grady Sizemore walked to bring the potential go ahead run to the plate in Travis Hafner. But Saito comes through and strikes out Hafner to temporarily save the season for the Klub winning 4-2.

WP-Hill LP-Clemens S-Saito

Game 4 - Dave Bush vs. John Smoltz

For the 3rd time in the series, the Klubbers jump ahead early after an error from Aaron Boone and a walk to Jack Cust, Aramis Ramirez singles in a run and JJ Hardy doubles in 2 runs for a quick 3-0 lead. Again, however, the Klubber offense is shut down after that as Bush and 3 relievers allow just 3 hits the rest of the game. Meanwhile, John Smoltz pitches around 4 hits and 2 walks over the first 5 innings to preserve the 3-0 lead. But with 2 outs in the 6th inning, Alex Rios singles and Dan Johnson follows with a 2 run HR to cut the lead to 3-2. That score remains heading into the 9th inning as Saito is brought in again to save the game and season for the Klub. This time, Saito is very efficient getting a popout, strikeout and groundout to save the 3-2 Klubber win and send the series back to Connecticut tied at 2 games apiece.

WP-Smoltz LP-Bush S-Saito

The DevilDome

Game 5 - John Lackey vs. Ben Sheets

Rematch of Game 2 when Lackey was sent to an early shower and Sheets pitched a complete game shutout. Things looked similar when Grady Sizemore blasted a 2 run HR in the first inning exciting the home crowd with a 2-0 CT lead. Sheets put the Klub down easy in the 2nd inning but walked Chris Snyder to lead off the 3rd inning for the Klubbers. Then Jason Lane surprised everyone with a 2 run blast to tie the game at 2-2. Then a walk to Cust and a double by Markakis put runners on 2nd & 3rd for the Klub with one out. Aramis Ramirez hit a ground ball and CT nailed Cust heading home for the 2nd out and Sheets struck out Lance Berkman to keep the score tied at 2-2. Both starters settled down after that. John Lackey retired 17 straight CT batters until giving up a leadoff double to Dan Johnson in the 7th. But Cole Hamels and Rafael Soriano relieved and shut down the Blue Devils. Meanwhile, Ben Sheets allowed two hits over the next 3 innings before he was relieved by Manny Corpas. In the 8th, the Klubbers managed two singles in the inning but Corpas got out of trouble getting Randy Winn to pop out. Corpas put the Klubbers down in order in the 9th bringing the Blue Devils up in the bottom of the 9th tied at 2. Doug Brocaill was brought in from the pen for the Klub with 4 lefties scheduled up and Brocaill very tough on lefties. After striking out Jose Reyes to lead off the inning, pinch hitter Aaron Boone singled. Grady Sizemore came up next. Sizemore, who already won game 1 with a HR took some hefty cuts but Brocaill struck him out. With two outs, Travis Hafner was due up. CT Manager Piniella thought of pinch hitting with Pat Burrell but knew that Saito would most likely be brought in to face Burrell so he left Hafner in. Hafner had struck out in Game 3 in a similar spot to win the game but this time - Hafner launched a 2 run series winning walk off Home Run to give CT the 4-2 win and Series win!! (ballpark HR chance 1-10 rolled a "5")
WP-Corpas LP-Brocaill

It was an exciting series and very dramatic ending! CONGRATULATIONS to Roland for a great season and a much needed return to the playoffs for the Klub. With his new assistant GM Willie Klee ready to help - the Klub look like they are set to be competitive for many years to come. The Blue Devils move on to the NLDS to face the top team in the NL - the Burlington Buccaneers (104-58)

STATISTICAL SERIES NOTES:

- in 45 innings played in the series, the Klubbers scored in just 4 innings
 - CT outhomered the Klub 7-1
 - the Blue Devil bullpen did NOT allow a run in 12 innings pitched in the series
- MVP - Travis Hafner batted .333 with 2 runs, 5 RBI's, 2 HR's and the series winning hit
Honorable mention to Ben Sheets 1-0 2runs allowed in 15 IP Manny Corpas 1-0-1 0 runs in 4 IP

Yorktown Admirals dominated the Lake Wobegon Whippets to take the American League "Wild Card" series, three games to none.

Game 1 at Lake Wobegon was Joe Blanton vs Dan Haren: Final Score, 5-0 Ads

Joe Blanton, with the help of the bullpen mystified Lake Wobegon while the Yorktown Admirals scored 5 runs in an evening game at Powdermilk Biscuit. Lake Wobegon was unable to claim the lead after Yorktown went ahead in the 3rd inning scoring a single run on 2 hits. That early scoring held up. Lake Wobegon was out-hit by Yorktown, 14 hits to 3. Dan Haren (23-4 on the season) ended up with the loss. He pitched 5 and 1/3 innings giving up 9 hits and 1 walk.

Game 2 at Lake Wobegon was Eric Bedard vs Jake Westbrook: Final Score, 3-2 Ads

Erik Bedard struck out 10 batters and Jimmy Rollins had 2 base hits at Powdermilk Biscuit as the Yorktown Admirals beat the Lake Wobegon Whippets by the count of 3 to 2. Bedard(1-0) delivered a fine performance for Yorktown. He allowed 7 hits and 3 walks in 5 innings. Bedard got help from Rafael Betancourt who pitched great and earned his 1st save. Jake Westbrook(0-1) was the losing pitcher. He surrendered 9 hits and 1 walk in 7 innings.

Game 3 at Yorktown was Adam Wainwright vs Ian Snell: Final Score in 15 innings, 2-1 Ads

48,738 fans were treated to a fine game at C.W.Nimitz Mem. Park as only one run separated the combatants at game's end. The Yorktown Admirals won by the slimmest of margins, 2 to 1. The score was tied at 1 after nine. Yorktown ended up winning it in the 15th inning. After two were out Jose Guillen laced a base-hit, and an error was also committed, making Yorktown the victor and beginning a joyous home town celebration. Yorktown totaled 8 hits on the night. Rafael Betancourt(1-0) was the winner allowing no runs in 3 innings. Glen Perkins(0-1) suffered the loss in relief. He was a hard-luck loser as he did not allow an earned run in his 1 and 2/3 innings of work.

The last game featured each team's bullpen throwing 9+ innings of shutout relief. The only run scored on a single plus 3-base error by Brian Giles. At his locker next to long time teammate Jason Giambi after the game, the two faces of the franchise pledged to go all out "once more, with gusto" next season.

Congrats to Merk, and good luck during the rest of the playoffs.

Please check the draft list it has been updated and corrected. From this point when you make a trade please just give the draft pick by its number.

10/15/2008

2009 DRAFT ORDER

| | Round 1 | Round 2 | Round 3 | Round 4 | Round 5 | Round 6 |
|----|---------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | MC-WS | 26 MC-MD | 51 AB-MY | 76 AB-UR | 101 EP-NN | 126 AA |
| 2 | AB-MD | 27 UR-MD | 52 UR | 77 UR | 102 UR | 127 NN |
| 3 | UR-MD | 28 NE | 53 NE-WS | 78 NE | 103 NE | 128 UR |
| 4 | NE | 29 MY-CD | 54 MY | 79 MY | 104 MY-KK | 129 NE |
| 5 | MY | 30 MD-WS | 55 MD-AA | 80 MD | 105 MD-IL | 130 MY |
| 6 | MD-NN | 31 BR | 56 BR | 81 BR | 106 BR | 131 MD |
| 7 | BR | 32 FS-MC | 57 FS | 82 FS | 107 FS | 132 BR |
| 8 | FS-NE | 33 HT | 58 HT | 83 HT-AA | 108 HT | 133 FS |
| 9 | HT | 34 IL-MC | 59 IL-US | 84 IL-MC | 109 IL | 134 HT |
| 10 | IL | 35 US | 60 US | 85 US | 110 US | 135 IL |
| 11 | US | 36 YA | 61 YA-BR | 86 YA | 111 YA-CT | 136 US |
| 12 | YA | 37 WS | 62 WS | 87 WS-NE | 112 WS | 137 YA |
| 13 | WS | 38 HZ | 63 HZ | 88 HZ | 113 MC#5 | 138 MC#6 |
| 14 | HZ | 39 KK-WS | 64 KK-NN | 89 KK | 114 HZ | 139 WS-HT |
| 15 | KK | 40 LW | 65 LW | 90 LW | 115 KK | 140 HZ |
| 16 | LW | 41 CT-NE | 66 CT | 91 CT-TX | 116 LW | 141 KK |
| 17 | CT-NE | 42 HS-MC | 67 HS-MD | 92 HS | 117 CT-IL | 142 LW |
| 18 | HS-KK | 43 AS | 68 AS-IL | 93 AS-NE | 118 HS-UR | 143 CT |
| 19 | AS | 44 TX-HT | 69 TX-LW | 94 TX-IL | 119 AS-US | 144 HS |
| 20 | TX-BR | 45 SP-FS | 70 SP-KK | 95 SP-FS | 120 TX | 145 AS |
| 21 | SP-NE | 46 BB-BR | 71 BB | 96 BB-BR | 121 SP | 146 TX-AS |
| 22 | BB | 47 CD-UR | 72 CD | 97 CD | 122 BB | 147 SP |
| 23 | CD-MY | 48 AA | 73 NN | 98 AA | 123 CD-UR | 148 BB |
| 24 | NN | 49 NN | 74 AA | 99 NN | 124 NN | 149 CD |
| 25 | AA | 50 MC-NE | 75 MC-UR | 100 AB-CT | 125 AA | |

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