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FLY-BY-NIGHT BASEBALL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Founded in 1974 by David Smith. - Commissioner Rob Bruno. Presidents - American League Ed Griffin - National League Bob Figella

Admiral Orders: Thanks to the never-ending weirdness of HAL in the late innings, the Admirals were able to gain a split at Bissel Cove, which appears to have been an accomplishment given BC's start. 19-9 would put most teams in 1st place, but it's only good for 4th at last check of the standings in the tough 2024 FBN American League.....2024 draftee Ernie Clement surprisingly earned the 2B job out of training camp, and he didn't disappoint the first block, winning 2 games in the 9th inning and running up the following numbers in 55 at bats: **.436 average, 3-2-4, .446 OBP, 1.055 SP 1.501 OPS.**

Unfortunately, in the last game of the block, Clement suffered a broken leg when his cleat got caught trying to turn a DP. He's expected to be out the rest of the season.....Corbin Burnes is 5-1, 3.19 and the 3 headed bullpen monster of Vest-Borucki-Hader has combined for: **45.3IP, 30 hits, 7 BB, 51Ks, 0.79 ERA, 3 wins, 2 losses, 7 saves.**

The Admirals have several players with good cards, but only about 2/3 of a season of AB or IP. Juggling will begin to be key as Block 2 continues.

Another Failing Grade at the schoolyard: Fifth grade teacher, Miss Coffey gave the 89ERS a failing grade for Block 2. "That's two in a row, Mr. Stengel. One more and you'll lose your recess privileges."

Jose Ramirez was sent to the optometrist recently as his average has gone from .345 to .280. Ramirez has been hitting under .200 during block 2. Other players struggling: Adolis Garcia hitting .175 for the year. The catching combo of Higashioka and Jansen are hitting .187 and Jorge Soler is batting .206.

The offensive is not the only problem. Two of our starting pitchers have also "helped" the team in getting failing grades. Kevin Gausman 1-5, 5.84 and Michael Wacha 0-5, 5.27. Both are being sent to AAA West Broad St. for extra help by Miss Coffey. "Miss Coffey was great with me, said Bruno. She turned me around as a student-ballplayer. I hope she can do the same for these guys."

A breakdown of some losses: We are 7-15 in games that are within 3 runs. 5-11 in 1 run games, 2-3 in 2 run games and 0-1 in 3 run games. Add in that we have be shutout 6 times while only having 3 shut-outs of our own. No wonder our record is as bad as it is. Is Basement Bertha looming around the corner?

Earning Silver Stars from Miss Coffey: Eddie Rosario in only 80 at bats is hitting .275 with 3 HR and 9 RBI. That has earned him the regular leftfielder job going into Block 3. Rookie pitcher, Andrew Abbott 3-1, 4.00, 52K in 45IP and Nick Sandlin 3-1, 3.25, 26K in 27.2IP were also honored.

All-Time Notes: Jose Ramirez passed Edgar Martinez with 474BB for 7th place. He also had his 740 K to pass Brandon Inge for 5th place. He played in his 1400th game during the series with Wall Street. In the same game Eddie Rosario played in his 1000th.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

place	Team	W - L	pct	gb	home	home pct	away	away pct	last update
1	Bissel Cove Bluefish	33 - 13	.717	----	18 - 8	.692	15 - 5	.750	5/1
2	Yorktown Admirals	30 - 13	.698	1 1/2	15 - 5	.750	15 - 8	.652	5/1
3	Blue Grass Blues	32 - 17	.653	2 1/2	15 - 7	.682	17 - 10	.630	5/1
4	California Dreamers	30 - 16	.652	3	19 - 7	.731	11 - 9	.550	5/1
5	Urpaign Dragons	25 - 19	.568	7	16 - 4	.800	9 - 15	.375	5/1
6	Louisville River Bandits	22 - 22	.500	10	9 - 11	.450	13 - 11	.542	5/1
7	Arsenal Gunners	20 - 24	.455	12	9 - 15	.375	11 - 9	.550	5/1
8	Lake Wobegon Whippets	18 - 22	.450	12	9 - 7	.563	9 - 15	.375	5/1
9	Belmont Street Boars	18 - 28	.391	15	12 - 14	.462	6 - 14	.300	5/1
10	Hotlanta Possums	16 - 28	.364	16	9 - 15	.375	7 - 13	.350	5/1
11	Atlanta Senators	15 - 29	.341	17	6 - 18	.250	9 - 11	.450	5/1
12	Grayson Grits	14 - 30	.318	18	9 - 11	.450	5 - 19	.208	5/1

NATIONAL LEAGUE

place	Team	W - L	pct	gb	home	home pct	away	away pct	last update
1	Connecticut Blue Devils	31 - 13	.705	----	16 - 8	.667	15 - 5	.750	5/1
2	Klee's Klubbers	30 - 16	.652	2	16 - 4	.800	14 - 12	.538	5/1
3	Norwich Navigators	26 - 18	.591	5	13 - 7	.650	13 - 11	.542	5/1
4	Zanti Misfits	21 - 19	.525	8	13 - 7	.650	8 - 12	.400	5/1
5	Hazardville Powderkegs	22 - 22	.500	9	11 - 13	.458	11 - 9	.550	5/1
6	US Jarheads	22 - 22	.500	9	12 - 12	.500	10 - 10	.500	5/1
7	Burlington Buccaneers	21 - 25	.457	11	12 - 8	.600	9 - 17	.346	5/1
8	Taxachusetts Chiefs	20 - 24	.455	11	10 - 14	.417	10 - 10	.500	5/1
9	Wall Street Barons	20 - 24	.455	11	10 - 10	.500	10 - 14	.417	5/1
10	Illinois Prairie Dogs	17 - 27	.386	14	12 - 12	.500	5 - 15	.250	5/1
11	FoggyMountain Angels	20 - 32	.385	15	13 - 13	.500	7 - 19	.269	5/1
12	Allyn Street 89ERS	15 - 32	.319	17 1/2	10 - 17	.370	5 - 15	.250	5/1

TRANSACTIONS:

1. Illinois trades IL# 2, Cron and Robertson to BC for Soderstrom and Wesneski.
2. Norwich Receives: M. Winn. Bissel Cove Receives: J. Walker

EFFECTIVE BLOCK 4 series 18.

1. FoggyMountain gets:BS#1, TX#1, CT#1, BG#1, BC#1, Nick Pratto, Rich Hill, Rene Pinto and Nick Maton. Belmont Street gets: Will Smith (LAD), Ian Happ, Brandon Nimmo and J.P. Sears.
2. FoggyMountain gets: BC#2 and C.J. Cron. Bissel Cove gets: Matt Strahm (PHI)