

24 hours in the air for a Baseball fix



Photo By: Greg Wagner

Steve Mahoney of the Atlanta Astros is a long way from home

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Of the thousands of men and dozens of women who will participate in the 2018 Roy Hobbs World Series very few have likely traveled farther than Steve Mahoney of the Atlanta Astros.

No, he did not take a flight from Atlanta to Fort Myers.

Mahoney, who grew up in Scotch Plains, N.J., now resides in Singapore. The island city-state is on the southern tip of the Malay Peninsula and only about 1 degree north of the Equator. That's roughly 85 miles.

Fort Myers is at 26.6 degrees north and Atlanta is at 33.7 degrees. Scotch Plains, by the way, is at 40.6 degrees north.

His trip to his first Roy Hobbs World Series started with an 8-hour flight to Doha, Qatar and then a 16-hour direct flight to Miami. That's 24 hours in the air.

Whew!

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AAAA & close games will be completed

Roy Hobbs Baseball has determined that 4 games suspended by the rain on Sunday are final, and 11 games have been rescheduled.

The 3 night games that never started have been rescheduled. Two were played Monday night: *Boston Goodfellas* at *Bridgewater Cardinals* and *Dupage Indians* at *Ohio Indians*. The **Steel City Hawks** at **Lansing Blue Jays** game will be played Tuesday night at Terry Park 4, 5:30 p.m.

Three **AAAA pool games** were interrupted by rain; those will be completed Tuesday morning at JetBlue, field 1. Here is the schedule:

- 10 a.m. – Massachusetts Chiefs at South Dakota Rushmores, suspended in the 6th.
- 11 a.m. – Border City Brewers at Puerto Rico Orioles, suspended in the 7th.
- Noon – Sacramento Royals at Minnesota Bees, suspended in 10th, tied.

All six teams will then move on to their regularly scheduled afternoon games.

The games that are finals are: **Kenmore Eastern Brewers** 7-3 over Lehigh Baseball; **Charlotte Kings** 6-3 over Tuscaloosa Tornados; **PSOF Rangers** 7-0 over Salem-Pitt Warlocks; and **St. Louis Braves** 13-8 over Kent Mudhens.

Other games being completed are:

Legends Division:

- **Kennebec Cubs at Bergen Yankees** will be played Wednesday as part of a DH, with Bergen leading 6-5 in the 6th.
- **Banana Sharks at Omaha Indians:** Tuesday, 1 p.m. PDC2, following the Sharks 9:30 game at CP-S and before Omaha's 1:45 game at PDC2. Omaha is up 6-5 in the 8th.
- **Huntsville Cardinals at St. Louis Grays:** Tuesday, 5 p.m., CL-S, after both teams games at Centurylink and before Huntsville's 5:30 game at CL-S. Huntsville is leading 6-4 in the 9th.
- **Summa Ortho Brewers at Nova Scotia Monarchs:** Tuesday, 1:15 p.m. CSP-S, prior to 1:45 Monarch's stadium game and Brewers 1:45 p.m. CSP-1 game. Brewers leading 3-2 in 9th.

Vintage Division:

- **Potomac Senators at Silver Foxes of Rhode Island:** will be played Wednesday or Thursday as part of a Vintage DH. Game is tied in the 6th.

– Tom Giffen



AAAA group to set playoff field; Wednesday pool schedule available Tuesday evening

The Legends Division AAAA will be determined late Tuesday afternoon, and the division makeup will be announced Tuesday evening.

If there are issues to be discussed, AAAA managers will be contacted about meeting.

The AAAA playoffs start Thursday.

Legends play began Sunday with 8 teams in the AAAA hunt. It has yet to be determined if the playoffs will be a 4-team or 6-team bracket. The teams making the AAAA playoffs will get Wednesday off.

The teams not making that playoff would play a 5th pool game Wednesday and move into the AAA or AA playoffs on

Friday at the discretion of Roy Hobbs Baseball.

The Wednesday game pairings, times and field assignments for the Legends general pool will be announced Tuesday evening at the Roy Hobbs Managers Reception at PDC.

Legends teams playing Wednesday will get Thursday off, and Vintage teams will play their fifth pool game on Thursday.

The seeding and scheduling for Wednesday's games and the AAAA playoff games will be posted at World Series Headquarters at the Player Development Complex and be available on royhobbs.com/world-series.

MAHONEY

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But it was worth it because Mahoney knew old friends from the Astros and a week of baseball awaited him.

"I love baseball," Mahoney said Sunday before his team played the Carolina Thunder at CenturyLink. "I play in Singapore and have been for the past three years."

He plays in a league with other Americans and players from South Korea, Japan and the Philippines. He said the games are played on an all-turf field at the American School. The competition includes games against a travel team of teenagers. His team is called the Xmen.

How did a guy from Scotch Plains and a finance major at Rutgers, wind up halfway across the world in Southeast Asia and just a tick above the Equator?

It was work related. He has been in Singapore for 3½ years as the Asian-Pacific region manager for Boehringer Ingelheim, one of the world's largest pharmaceutical companies. His work takes him to China, Japan, Thailand, South Korea, Australia and New Zealand.

He enjoys Singapore.

"Singapore is great," Mahoney said. "It's modern. It's safe. It's clean. The quality of life is fantastic and it's easy to travel around Asia."

Now he has traveled even farther to play baseball. The trip also gave him a chance to spend time with his son, Sean, a medical student in Miami.

Mahoney said his wife, Marijo, is supportive of his baseball.

"She thinks I'm a little crazy," Mahoney said.

His Roy Hobbs week got off to a great start.

"He's the hero," said teammate Mike Stanford.

Mahoney had the go-ahead hit in the eighth-inning to give his team a 7-6 victory. That alone was likely worth 24 hours in the air.

Mariner High Thespians assist RH greeting players

They're actors but the kids from the Mariner High School Thespians organization weren't acting up or acting out when they worked at the PDC over the weekend.

Hardly.

No, they were on hand helping register players for the Roy Hobbs World Series and to raise funds for their organization at the school, which is located in Cape Coral. The teenagers interacted with baseball players who are decades older.

"They loved it," said Jen Baker, director of the group and a Mariner teacher whose subjects include reading and special education. "They love being out in the community. They like interacting with people."

That's what the Mariner High students did greeting strangers and helping them get registered for this week's games.

Baker believes the students, which included her daughter, Ramonna, are well-suited to working with people.

"A perfect fit for customer service," Baker said.

There didn't seem to be any sort of generation gap between youngsters who were born in the 21st century and the players, who were likely all born in roughly the middle of the 20th century.

"They loved every minute of it," Baker said.

And the students did so well and so impressed Roy Hobbs Baseball management that the Mariner Thespians have been invited back for the 2019 World Series.

"Honored to be asked back," Baker said.

- Glenn Miller



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RESULTS

53's

Bahama Breeze Islanders 15, Minnesota Goats 1
Bergen Yankees 14, Omaha Indians 4
Border City Brewers 14, Massachusetts Chiefs 4
Border City Brewers 25, St. Louis Patriots Blue 14
Boston GoodFellas 20, Bridgewater Cardinals 5
Carolina Rockies 17, Salem/Pitt Warlocks 7
Carolina Thunder 11, Pensacola Barracudas 1
Charlotte Knights 15, Boston GoodFellas 1
Chicago Blues 11, Lansing Blue Jays 0
Chicago Blues 4, Kodak Reds 2
Chicago Knights 7, Baltimore Thunder 2
Cuyahoga Indians 5, Americans Baseball Club 2
Huntsville Cardinals 12, Chicago Giants 2
Lansing Blue Jays 16, Banana Sharks 14
Midwest Pirates 4, Staten Island Bombers 3
Minnesota Bees 12, DuPage Angels-Lugnuts 4
New Jersey Railriders 19, Atlanta Astros 10
Nova Scotia Monarchs 9, DuPage Indians 1
Oakville Golden A's 11, Aurora Islanders 1
Ohio Indians 16, DuPage Indians 5
Omaha Indians 8, Kennebec Cubs 7
Orlando Blazers 18, Rhode Island Waves 8
PSOF Rangers 3, St. Louis Grays 2
Puerto Rico Orioles 7, Massachusetts Chiefs 6
Puerto Rico Orioles 8, St. Louis Patriots Blue 7
Sacramento Royals 2, DuPage Angels-Lugnuts 1
Sacramento Royals 5, South Dakota Rushmores 4
South Chicago Yaquis 7, Ohio Indians 1
South Dakota Rushmores 9, Minnesota Bees 3
St. Louis Patriots Red 13, Kodak Reds 9
Steel City Hawks 8, Banana Sharks 7

Steel City Hawks 8, Kennebec Cubs 5
Summa Ortho Brewers 4, Minnesota Bandits 3
Texas Stars 14, Bergen Yankees 4
Texas Stars 14, St. Louis Patriots Red 6
Tuscaloosa Tornados 10, Bridgewater Cardinals 0
Windy City Warriors 6, Long Island Athletics 5
Wright Field Reds 8, Michigan Stars 3

65's

ASBA Indians 12, Asheville Sox 7
Asheville Sox 15, St. Louis Braves 3
Cincinnati Colt .45s 11, NorCal Antiques 3
DHBA Athletics 21, North Coast Nationals 5
Kent Mudhens 8, USA Volkers Group 6
Livingston Dodgers 16, Baltimore Baseball Club 7
Maine Woods Baseball 13, Houston Colt .65s 3
MBI Baseball 18, Washington Titans 8
Midwest Nine 15, Wilmington NC Thunder 5
Minnesota Bees 17, Philadelphia Brewers 1
Naturals 25, Kenmore Eastern Brewers 9
Nova Scotia Monarchs 12, Philadelphia Gray Rocks 10
Raynham Baseball Club 10, Lehigh Baseball 9
Sacramento Solons 13, Youngstown Astros 3
San Antonio Texans 24, Potomac Senators 8
Silver Foxes BB Club of R.I 8, Toledo McGuire Insurance 7
TSP Fire 13, Michigan Stars 1
Vintages Baseball Club 10, Tallahassee Classics 2

75's

Kent Mudhens 9, New England Red Sox 1
National Spirit 10, New Jersey Cardinals 8
San Diego Padres 2, Avengers 1
South Dakota Rushmores 19, Tri-Cities 0



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AAAA Legends	Win	Loss	PCT	RA	Bergen Yankees	1	1	0.500	18	Philadelphia Brewers	1	1	0.500	13
Border City Brewers	2	0	1.000	18	Boston GoodFellas	1	1	0.500	20	Cincinnati Colt .45s	1	1	0.500	13
Sacramento Royals	2	0	1.000	5	Omaha Indians	1	1	0.500	21	Livingston Dodgers	1	1	0.500	13
Puerto Rico Orioles	2	0	1.000	13	Lansing Blue Jays	1	1	0.500	25	Youngstown Astros	1	1	0.500	15
South Dakota Rushmores	1	1	0.500	8	Bahama Breeze Islanders	1	2	0.333	17	San Antonio Texans	1	1	0.500	15
Minnesota Bees	1	1	0.500	13	Baltimore Thunder	1	2	0.333	19	NorCal Antiques	1	1	0.500	19
DuPage Angels-Lugnuts	1	2	0.333	15	Carolina Thunder	1	2	0.333	25	Michigan Stars	1	1	0.500	21
St. Louis Patriots Blue	0	3	0.000	38	Aurora Islanders	1	2	0.333	33	St. Louis Braves	1	1	0.500	21
Massachusetts Chiefs	0	2	0.000	21	Atlanta Astros	1	2	0.333	35	Washington Titans	1	1	0.500	22
					St. Louis Grays	0	1	0.000	3	North Coast Nationals	1	1	0.500	23
Legends	Win	Loss	PCT	RA	Americans Baseball Club	0	3	0.000	14	Nova Scotia Monarchs	1	1	0.500	27
Nova Scotia Monarchs	1	0	1.000	1	Kennebec Cubs	0	2	0.000	16	Maine Woods Baseball	1	1	0.500	29
Huntsville Cardinals	1	0	1.000	2	Rhode Island Waves	0	1	0.000	18	Kent Mudhens	1	2	0.333	30
PSOF Rangers	2	0	1.000	2	Chicago Giants	0	2	0.000	22	Houston Colt .65s	1	2	0.333	35
Chicago Knights	3	0	1.000	3	Banana Sharks	0	2	0.000	24	Kenmore Eastern Brewers	1	2	0.333	41
Summa Ortho Brewers	1	0	1.000	3	Salem/Pitt Warlocks	0	2	0.000	24	Midwest Nine	0	1	0.000	4
Charlotte Kings	2	0	1.000	4	DuPage Indians	0	2	0.000	25	USA Volkers Group	0	2	0.000	16
Carolina Rockies	1	0	1.000	7	Bridgewater Cardinals	0	2	0.000	30	Tallahassee Classics	0	2	0.000	17
Oakville Golden A's	3	0	1.000	8	Kodak Reds	0	3	0.000	36	Lehigh Baseball	0	2	0.000	17
Windy City Warriors	3	0	1.000	9	Minnesota Goats	0	3	0.000	39	Wilmington NC Thunder	0	1	0.000	17
Orlando Blazers	2	0	1.000	12	Pensacola Barracudas	0	3	0.000	42	Toledo McGuire Insurance	0	2	0.000	19
Steel City Hawks	2	0	1.000	12	Michigan Stars	0	3	0.000	42	Philadelphia Gray Rocks	0	2	0.000	21
Cuyahoga Indians	3	0	1.000	16						Potomac Senators	0	1	0.000	24
Texas Stars	3	0	1.000	18	Vintage Team	Win	Loss	PCT	RA	Baltimore Baseball Club	0	2	0.000	32
Long Island Athletics	2	1	0.667	14	Vintages Baseball Club	2	0	1.000	2					
Staten Island Bombers	2	1	0.667	16	Minnesota Bees	2	0	1.000	2	Forever Young	Win	Loss	PCT	RA
Midwest Pirates	2	1	0.667	17	TSP Fire	2	0	1.000	4	South Dakota Rushmores	2	0	1.000	1
Wright Field Reds	2	1	0.667	17	Silver Foxes BB Club of R. I.	1	0	1.000	7	San Diego Padres	2	0	1.000	2
New Jersey Railriders	2	1	0.667	19	MBI Baseball	2	0	1.000	9	National Spirit	2	0	1.000	14
Chicago Blues	2	1	0.667	23	ASBA Indians	2	0	1.000	12	New Jersey Cardinals	1	1	0.500	11
St. Louis Patriots Red	2	1	0.667	31	Raynham Baseball Club	2	0	1.000	12	Kent Mudhens	1	1	0.500	18
Tuscaloosa Tornados	1	1	0.500	6	DHBA Athletics	2	0	1.000	15	Avengers	0	2	0.000	8
Minnesota Bandits	1	1	0.500	9	Naturals	2	0	1.000	18	New England Red Sox	0	2	0.000	13
South Chicago Yaquis	1	1	0.500	9	Asheville Sox	2	1	0.667	21	Tri-Cities	0	2	0.000	24
Ohio Indians	1	1	0.500	12	Sacramento Solons	1	1	0.500	11					





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SCHEDULE

53's 9:30 AM

Chicago Blues @ Banana Sharks CP-S

53's 10:00 AM

Boston GoodFellas @ DuPage Indians CSP1

Bridgewater Cardinals @ Nova Scotia Monarchs CSP3

Chicago Giants @ Rhode Island Waves JB-S

Long Island Athletics @ Baltimore Thunder CL1

resume- Massachusetts Chiefs @ South Dakota Rushmores JB1

Minnesota Bandits @ Ohio Indians CSP4

PSOF Rangers @ Carolina Rockies JB4

South Chicago Yaquis @ Charlotte Kings CSP-S

St. Louis Grays @ Salem/Pitt Warlocks CL-S

Tuscaloosa Tornados @ Summa Ortho Brewers CSP2

53's 11:00 AM

resume- Border City Brewers @ Puerto Rico Orioles JB1

53's 12:00 PM

resume- Sacramento Royals @ Minnesota Bees JB1

53's 1:00 PM

resume- Banana Sharks @ Omaha Indians PDC2

53's 1:15 PM

resume- Summa Ortho Brewers @ Nova Scotia Monarchs CSP-S

53's 1:45 PM

Americans Baseball Club @ Michigan Stars TP3

Atlanta Astros @ Midwest Pirates PDC3

Aurora Islanders @ Pensacola Barracudas PDC5

Bergen Yankees @ St. Louis Patriots Red JB5

Carolina Rockies @ Chicago Giants JB6

Carolina Thunder @ New Jersey Railriders TP4

Charlotte Kings @ Minnesota Bandits CSP3

Chicago Knights @ Cuyahoga Indians PDC4

DuPage Indians @ Bridgewater Cardinals CSP4

Lansing Blue Jays @ Kodak Reds PDC1

Minnesota Bees @ Massachusetts Chiefs CL-S

Minnesota Goats @ Windy Cith Warriors CL2

Nova Scotia Monarchs @ Tuscaloosa Tornados CSP-S

Ohio Indians @ Boston GoodFellas CSP2

Omaha Indians @ Steel City Hawks PDC2

Orlando Blazers @ St. Louis Grays CL4

Puerto Rico Orioles @ DuPage Angels-Lugnuts JB-S

Rhode Island Waves @ PSOF Rangers JB3

Salem/Pitt Warlocks @ Huntsville Cardinals CL6

South Dakota Rushmores @ Border City Brewers CL3

St. Louis Patriots Blue @ Sacramento Royals JB4

Staten Island Bombers @ Oakville Golden A's TP2

Summa Ortho Brewers @ South Chicago Yaquis CSP1

Wright Field Reds @ Bahama Breeze Islanders JB1

53's 5:00 PM

Huntsville Cardinals @ resume- St. Louis Grays CL-S 5:00 PM

53's 5:30 PM

Huntsville Cardinals @ Orlando Blazers CL-S 5:30 PM

Steel City Hawks @ Lansing Blue Jays TP4 5:30 PM

Texas Stars @ Kennebec Cubs TP-S 5:30 PM

65's 10:00 PM

Cincinnati Colt .45s @ MBI Baseball CL6

Houston Colt .65's @ Toledo McGuire Insurance JB6

Lehigh Baseball @ Naturals JB5

Midwest Nine @ Maine Woods Baseball PDC1

Minnesota Bees @ Baltimore Baseball Club CL2

Philadelphia Brewers @ Livingston Dodgers CL3

Potomac Senators @ Youngstown Astros JB2

Raynham Baseball Club @ Kenmore Eastern Brewers TP4

Sacramento Solons @ San Antonio Texans TP2

Silver Foxes BBC of R. I. @ DHBA Athletics PDC3

Tallahassee Classics @ Nova Scotia Monarchs CL4

USA Volkers Group @ Michigan Stars TP-S

Wilmington NC Thunder @ North Coast Nationals JB3

65's 1:45 PM

NorCal Antiques @ Washington Titans TP-S

St. Louis Braves @ Philadelphia Gray Rocks JB2

TSP Fire @ ASBA Indians CP-S

75's 10:00 AM

Kent Mudhens @ Tri-Cities PDC2

New England Red Sox @ National Spirit TP3

New Jersey Cardinals @ Avengers PDC4

South Dakota Rushmores @ San Diego Padres PDC5



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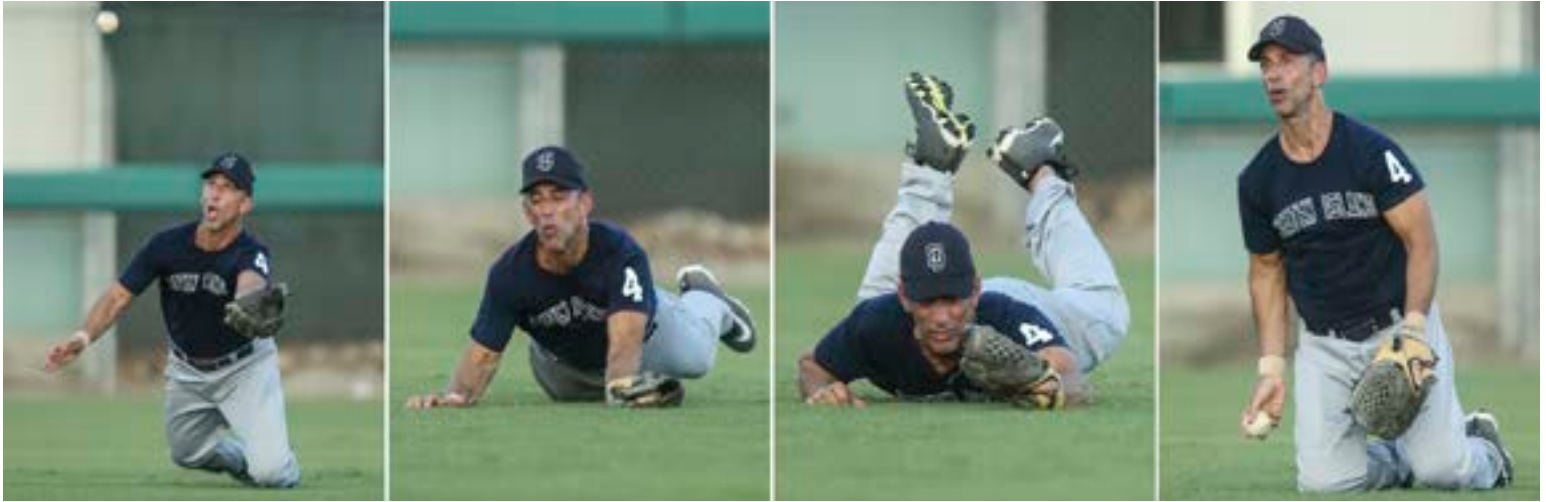


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Staten Island Bombers right fielder makes an outstanding diving catch vs. the Midwest Pirates

Playoff pitching guidelines

Roy Hobbs requirement is that all pitchers who will be starters or closers in save situations (3-run or less difference in the 8th and 9th innings) qualify for the playoffs by pitching at least 2 innings – 6 outs or 10 hitters – during pool play.

AAAA qualifier teams may not add pitchers to their lineup after Pool Play concludes; however, Open Division teams may have pitchers arrive Wednesday – those pitchers must throw 5 innings or 25 hitters to qualify for the playoffs.

Finally, in the playoffs, those “non-qualified” middle-inning pitchers will come to the mound from their normal defensive positions where they started the game. That is as important as the “spirit of the rule” that these *non-qualified* pitchers who are used as “inning-eaters” are players who ordinarily are playing other positions.

And, please remember that any players leaving the RHWS today (Monday) to return on Thursday MUST turn in their player ID Card and re-register upon their return. They must return before the quarterfinals of the playoffs, regardless of division.

Managers should email a list of their qualified pitchers to Roy Hobbs in case of rg@royhobbs.com by 7 p.m. the night before their playoffs begin.



First Aid

Two key First Aid items: Drink plenty of fluids while playing; don't just wait until the game is over. Water will be available at the fields.

Second, be sure to stretch and loosen up before playing, or even re-entering a game.

In case of an emergency, contact the field manager at your site. He has the First Aid supplies and will contact 911 services as needed.

Ice is available for injuries ... check with the field manager on duty or go to the nearest concession stand to have the appropriate personnel paged. Roy Hobbs requests that managers plan for pitchers needing ice for their arms and to supply it.





HIGHLIGHTS

53's Charlotte Kings 6, Tuscaloosa Tornados 3 – JB2 Kings:
PITCHING: R. Wesenberg 5 IP, 4 H, 4 K, 2 BB, 2 HBP, 3 ER, W;
C. Callister 1 IP, 0 H, 1 BB, SV; BATTING: J. Goetting 1/3, 3B,
RBI, R; W. Czarny 1/1, 3B, RBI; B. Bruzik 2/2, RBI, HBP; J. Ford
2/2, BB; D. Norton 1/3, 2 R, SB; J. Silkey 1/1, RBI, R

53's DuPage Angels-Lugnuts 5, St. Louis Patriots Blue 1 –
PDC5 DuPage: PITCHING: T. Mangan 6 IP, 6 H, 1 ER, W; T.
Foote 3 IP, 0 ER, SV

53's Huntsville Cardinals 12, Chicago Giants 2 – PDC1
Cardinals: PITCHING: G. Dover 5 IP, 2 ER, 7 H, W; D. McClure
3 IP, 2 H, 0 ER; BATTING: G. Dennis 3/5, 2B, 3B, 3 RBI; J. Sikes
4/4, 2 RBI; B. Graves 2/3; T. Simmons 2/5

53's Huntsville Cardinals 6, St. Louis Grays 4 – TP2 Cardinals:
PITCHING: M. Swanner 5 IP, 1 ER, W; BATTING: G. Dover 2/3;
B. Hill 2/4; G. Dennis 3 SB

53's Long Island Athletics 6, Americans Baseball Club 5 –
CSP1 Americans: PITCHING: R. Harrington 5 IP, 1 ER, 5 K; R.
Hogarth 3 IP; BATTING: D. Darrah 2/3, 2 2B, R; G. Stevenson
2/4, 2B, 3B, 3 RBI; R. Kluba 2/4; S. LaRussa 2/5

53's Oakville Golden A's 11, Midwest Pirates 3 – CL-S A's:
PITCHING: D. Oelke 4 IP, 1 ER; D. green 1 IP, 0 R, 1 K, W; R.
Fisher 2 IP, 0 R, 3 K; BATTING: A. Ocaki 3 H, 3 R; T. Lessad 2
H, 3 RBI

53's Oakville Golden A's 10, Atlanta Astros 4 – CL2 A's:
PITCHING: T. Lessard 5 IP, 5 H, 3 K, W; BATTING: D. Murphy 2
H, 5 RBI; G. Douglas 3 H; D. Green 3 H

53's South Dakota Rushmores 8, Massachusetts Chiefs 4 –
JB6 Rushmores: PITCHING: J. Schaefer 4 IP, 0 ER;

53's Wright Field Reds 15, Minnesota Goats 1 – CSP4 Reds:
PITCHING: Stultz 3 IP, 0 ER, 5 H, 0 BB, 1 K, W; Vagedes 3 IP, 0
ER, 2 H, 0 BB, 2 K; Bertles 1 IP, 0 ER, 0 H, 0 BB, 2 K; BATTING:
Ramey 4/4, 2B, 3 RBI, 3 R; Brohas 3/4, 2B, RBI, 3 R, SB;
Bertles 3/4, 2B, 3 RBI, 3 R, SB; McElveen 2/2, 2 RBI; MacVeigh
1/3, 2B, 2 RBI, R; Reynolds 2/3; Schreier 1/2, 2 RBI

65's Asheville Sox 11, Kent Mudhens 6 – TP2 Mudhens:
PITCHING: D. Vowles 9 IP; BATTING: B. Lay 3/4, 3 RBI; D.
Stauffer 3/4, 2 RBI; G. Shelby 2/4; J. Berger 2/4, 2 R; R. Kipp
2/4, R; L. Munoz 2/3, R

65's Kenmore Eastern Brewers 7, Lehigh Legends 4 – CP-S
Brewers: PITCHING: J. Powers 5IP, 1 R, 3 K; BATTING: K.
Brothers 2/3, 2 R, 2 SB; D. Smith 2/3, R, RBI, SB; K. Breyley
2/3, 3B, 2 RBI, R; D. James 2/2 RBI; E. Ash 2/3, RBI



*Mudhens
65's 1st
baseman
holds on a
USA Volkers
Group
runner*

*Photo By:
Greg Wagner*

65's NorCal Antiques 13, Kenmore Eastern Brewers 8 – PDC5
Brewers: BATTING: D. Leas 3/3, RBI; B. Young 3/4, 2B; K.
Brothers 2/4, R

65's Washington Titans 26, Maine Woods Baseball 4 – JB6
Titans: BATTING: S. Rapkoch 3/4, 1 BB, 3 R; W. Lewis 3/4, 3
RBI; K. Short 2/3, 2 BB, 3 RBI

75's Nationals Spirit 17, Kent Mudhens 6 – JB1 Spirit:
PITCHING: B. Smith 5 IP, 2 H, 5 K; J. Fuentes 4/5, 4 RBI; T.
Hawkins 3/4, 2 2B, 3 RBI

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Welcome to the 30th renewal of the Roy Hobbs World Series.

As the Hobbs internal family talked about what to do to make #30 special, we decided to ask participants – after all you are the ones who make the Roy Hobbs World Series special – why it is special to them.

We received many, many comments and stories, thank you.

Please enjoy ...

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Warren Clark, Bronx Cardinals:

In November of 1989, I had the good fortune to make a very good decision. Wife and 2 kids ages 5 and 2. How about a Florida trip and baseball in some new tournament called the Roy Hobbs World Series? Should be fun... right?

Well, 29 years and 25 tournaments later, boy is it fun. Literally thousands of guys, and some girls too, who get together and share a passion for baseball and a week or more of camaraderie while playing the game we love. The tournament is so well run that all we do is show up and play on perfectly manicured fields with good umpires, new balls and Florida sunshine.

After our final game in 1989, in the stadium, we were taking pictures in the infield and we for a moment could not find my 2-year-old daughter. She was found at the mound, and she was mesmerized by it, just standing, staring, transfixed right at the foot of the mound. I have a picture of it, possibly my favorite picture hung at home. 16 years later she was Georgetown's number 1 pitcher.

Roy Hobbs baseball... pass it on.

Rob Corriea, Rhode Island Waves: Bonds are formed. Friendships are made. Memories of games past are shared. We speak a common language - one not understood by guys who do not understand the joy of stretching a single into a double. We compete with the joy of a child but with the wisdom of an adult who appreciates each game could be his last. Time seems to stand still for a moment. Celebrations are spontaneous. The joy is overwhelming. That is the spirit of the RHWS.

Bill Curzie, Jersey Cardinals: Each summer I play baseball in my 65+ local league. By October many of us prepare for the RHWS. For 16 years I have returned with the Jersey Cardinals. Win or lose, our guys have been loyal with most returning each year. The importance of returning each year is twofold: 1--returning with players you have known for so long, (yours and others), sharing the camaraderie is both stimulating and rewarding. 2--Forever Young is not only the division I play in, but the expectation for the future--to continue FOREVER YOUNG!

Don Donaldson, SilverHawks: The Silverhawks ladies singing God Bless America at every game during the 7th-inning stretch. I was never so proud to be part of a group than at that time. I'll never forget it. Great show of sportsmanship and patriotism! Thanks ladies!

Jeff Dravis, Houston Colt 65s:

Initially, I equated the Roy Hobbs World Series to "Field of Dreams" and looked forward to playing on great fields against good competition. We all wanted to be able to measure ourselves up against other players, whenever we pitched, played in the field, or hit. Now, we are older. As our physical abilities fade and baseball skills slide, it is much more about being with your baseball buddies, many having been friends for over 20 years. It is more about playing the game as best you can and then relaxing with teammates afterwards. Yes, we are still competitive and want to win, but I think that most of us now get more joy out of seeing our teammates succeed on the field, win or lose. For me personally, the Roy Hobbs tournament has been, for well over 20 years, my "Mental Holiday."



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