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ER time can't keep Flick off the diamond

BY GLENN MILLER

Roy Hobbs Baseball

When Don Flick lost his left little toe on June 9 because of an infection he didn't lose his love of baseball.

Not even close.

The Tri-Cities manager, 79, is back in Fort Myers for his ninth Roy Hobbs World Series.

"I knew he'd come back," teammate Ed Carrier said. "He's too tough."

Doctors may have had to cut off a toe, but they couldn't touch his love of the game.

"I never knew a human being with more passion for baseball," teammate Jim Barr said.

Flick may have inherited that love from his father, who played parts of two seasons in the majors in the 1940s. Although his father died in 1990, Flick still refers to him as "daddy."

When asked for his father's first name he gives it formally as Lewis. Yet, in the pages of "The Baseball Encyclopedia" and on baseball-reference.com and Wikipedia, the elder Flick is referred to as Lew.

The elder Flick played in 20 games for the Philadelphia A's over the 1943 and 1944 seasons hitting .175. But over a very long minor-league career that lasted from 1934 to 1951 he hit .344.

As a young man Flick heard from his father one of the
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Don Flick: A passion for Baseball

NOTEBOOK

Picking up T-Shirts . . .

The tournament T-shirt is available **through Friday only** for all registered players outside the Roy Hobbs Store in the screened in patio at the Player Development Complex. **No Shirts will be given out on Thursdays or Saturdays.**

Hours to pick up the Tournament T-shirt are from Noon to 6 p.m. With the shirt, each player will get a tournament patch and a World Series Gift.

Players will need their RHWS ID card to get their shirts, no exceptions – No drivers licenses needed.



❖ Broadcast plans

Roy Hobbs is working on a plan to broadcast selected

World Series games, both live-streaming via the internet and as a posted post-game podcast on the Roy Hobbs website.

The immediate goal for 2019 is to be able to offer teams the opportunity to have one of their games broadcast from Hammond Stadium at the Centurylink Complex. Teams buying into the plan – we would broadcast 2 games a day Sunday through Wednesday – would have their stadium game at Centurylink. Roy Hobbs would then broadcast 2 championship games each Saturday. We are talking broadcasting 48 games.

Preparing to be able to present that option to its members, Roy Hobbs plans to broadcast 4 games this year – 2 championship games on both November 4 & 11. This is

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differences between the minors and the majors. Lewis Flick was able to get the bat on the ball in the bigs but that wasn't enough.

"Those gloves kept popping up out of nowhere," Flick said his father told him.

(By the way, these Flicks are no kin to Hall of Fame outfielder Elmer Flick, who played in the majors from 1898 to 1910.)

The toe amputation started with what Flick called a "raw sore" about two and a half years ago. His leg swelled up in June and he went to an emergency room in his hometown of Kingsport, Tenn.

"They took me in on Saturday," Flick said. "Took the toe off on Tuesday."

He couldn't have waited much longer because the bone infection was working its way into his system.

"The doctor said I was two- or three-weeks away from losing the foot," Flick said.

There was no way Flick was going to miss the Roy Hobbs World Series.

"I thought, well, I could play first base," Flick said. "It would give me an excuse to sit in the dugout. I said if I can't play I can coach or keep score."

Lewis Flick would be proud of his son.

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our test drive, so to speak, and our opportunity to be able to show teams what can be done in this format.

Stay tuned!



Customer Service

Roy Hobbs Baseball is proud of its record on customer service.

Staff members are required to wear identifying staff shirts during the working hours of the tournament and should be easily identifiable. At least two are assigned to each of the satellite complexes daily.

In the case of **emergency**, please go to the nearest concession stand at the satellite complexes, where someone will be available to summon help.

Roy Hobbs field managers and key personnel are Red Cross First Aid **certified**, and Roy Hobbs Baseball has guidelines in place on the handling of injuries. Additionally, **AED devices** are available at each of the facilities, and Roy Hobbs personnel have been trained on those devices.



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RESULTS

53's

Americans Baseball Club 5, Chicago Blues 3
Atlanta Astros 3, Baltimore Thunder 2
Aurora Islanders 7, Bahama Breeze Islanders 5
Banana Sharks 14, Tuscaloosa Tornados 7
Bergen Yankees 12, Carolina Thunder 4
Bergen Yankees 8, Kennebec Cubs 5
Boston GoodFellas 18, South Chicago Yaquis 10
Cuyahoga Indians 24, DuPage Indians 0
Huntsville Cardinals 11, Chicago Knights 1
Kodak Reds 11, Rhode Island Waves 6
Massachusetts Chiefs 12, New Jersey Railriders 3
Minnesota Goats 20, Bridgewater Cardinals 11
Nova Scotia Monarchs 7, Windy City Warriors 1
Oakville Golden A's 6, Minnesota Bandits 5
Omaha Indians 9, Staten Island Bombers 5
PSOF Rangers 18, Lansing Blue Jays 8
Salem/Pitt Warlocks 7, Chicago Giants 5
St. Louis Grays 10, Michigan Stars 5
St. Louis Patriots Blue 16, Long Island Athletics 3
St. Louis Patriots Red 20, Charlotte Kings 10
Steel City Hawks 3, Ohio Indians 2
Summa Ortho Brewers 15, Carolina Rockies 5
Texas Stars 21, Orlando Blazers 4
Wright Field Reds 9, Midwest Pirates 3

65's

Baltimore Baseball Club 13, North Coast Nationals 12
Livingston Dodgers 21, Wilmington NC Thunder 3
MBI Baseball 22, Maine Woods Baseball 3
Michigan Stars 8, ASBA Indians 3
Midwest Nine 21, Raynham Baseball Club 16
Minnesota Bees 19, Youngstown Astros 4
NorCal Antiques 26, Naturals 16



*Kent Mudhens
75's shortstop
makes the play
vs. Tri Cities*

*Photo By: Greg
Wagner*

Potomac Senators 8, DHBA Athletics 7
Sacramento Solons 13, Philadelphia Brewers 3
San Antonio Texans 11, Silver Foxes BBC of R.I. 3
Tallahassee Classics 13, Philadelphia Gray Rocks 7
Toledo McGuire Insurance 14, Lehigh Baseball 2
TSP Fire 16, Nova Scotia Monarchs 11
USA Volkers Group 18, Asheville Sox 6
Vintages Baseball Club 9, Kent Mudhens 3
Vintages Baseball Club 16, St. Louis Braves 3
Washington Titans 23, Cincinnati Colt 45s 0

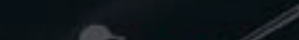
75's

Avengers 18, New England Red Sox 4
San Diego Padres 21, Kent Mudhens 3
South Dakota Rushmores 12, New Jersey Cardinals 3
Tri-Cities 11, National Spirit 0




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53's 10:00 AM

53s Th-4A #4 DuPage Angels-Lugnuts @ #3 South Dakota Rushmores JB4

53s Th-4A #5 Puerto Rico Orioles @ #2 Sacramento Solons JB1

53s Th-4A #6 Minnesota Bees @ #1 Border City Brewers JB2

53's 1:30 PM

53s Th-4A Lowest seed loser @ Next lowest seed loser JB-S

53s Th-4A Lowest seed winner @ Next lowest seed winner JB3

65's 10:00 AM

65s Thu ASBA Indians VS Sacramento Solons PDC4

65s Thu Asheville Sox VS Houtson Colt .65s PDC2

65s Thu Cincinnati Colt .45s VS Kenmore Eastern Brewers PDC1

65s Thu DHBA Athletics VS Michigan Stars CL6

65s Thu Kent Mudhens VS Baltimore Baseball Club JB-S

65s Thu Livingston Dodgers VS Maine Woods Baseball CL4

65s Thu Minnesota Bees VS MBI Baseball TP2

65s Thu Naturals VS San Antonio Texans PDC5

65s Thu Nova Scotia Monarchs VS NorCal Antiques CL3

65s Thu Philadelphia Brewers VS Midwest Nine TP-S

65s Thu Philadelphia Gray Rocks VS Lehigh Baseball CL2

65s Thu Potomac Senators VS Toledo McGuire Insurance JB6

65s Thu Silver Foxes of R. I. VS USA Volkers Group JB5

65s Thu St. Louis Braves VS Youngstown Astros JB3

65s Thu Tallahassee Classics VS North Coast Nationals TP4

65s Thu TSP Fire VS Washington Titans PDC3

65's 1:30 PM

65s Thu Rayham Baseball Club VS Vintages Baseball Club TP-S

75's 10:00 AM

75s Thu National Spirit @ Avengers CP-S

75s Thu New Jersey Cardinals @ San Diego Padres CL-S

75's 1:45 PM

75s Thu Kent Mudhens @ South Dakota Rushmores CL-S

75s Thu New England Red Sox @ Tri-Cities CP-S



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Pileup at 2nd base. Chicago Giants vs. Rhode Island Waves



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HIGHLIGHTS

On a steamy fall Tuesday in Fort Myers with the temperature headed toward 90, 87-year-old New England Red Sox pitcher Vick Pavlak hurled a 7-inning complete game in the Roy Hobbs World Series.

He threw 92 pitches and scattered 13 hits to lead the Red Sox to a 5-3 victory over the National Spirit at Terry Park in the Forever Young division.

Pavlak has more complete games this week than the Los Angeles Dodgers, Philadelphia Phillies and Milwaukee Brewers combined for in the 2018 season in Major League Baseball. Those three teams didn't have one complete game all year.

Sunday

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

65's St. Louis Braves 13, Kent Mudhens 8 – TP3 Braves:
PITCHING: W. Brenden 5 IP, 5 K, 1 BB, 1 ER; BATTING: J. Burns 2 H, 2 RBI, 2 R; S. Park 2/2, BB; Mudhens: BATTING: R. Kipp 3/3, 3B, RBI; K. Carpenter 2/2, RBI; W. Currence 2/3, SB

Monday

53's Bergen Yankees 14, Omaha Indians 4 – CSP-S Indians:
BATTING: J. Breeling 2/3, 2B; J. Waters 2/3, RBI; A. Cotton 2/4, RBI

53's Charlotte Knights 15, Boston GoodFellows 1 – CL6 Knights:
PITCHING: T. Abrahamson 7 IP, 6 H, 1 ER, BB, 3 K; BATTING: Goetting 2/4, RBI, 3 R; Tito 3/4, 3 RBI, 3 R; Norton 2/3, RBI, R; Thomas 2/3, RBI; Ford 2/4, RBI, R; Wickmann 2/3, RBI, R

53's Oakville Golden A's 11, Aurora Islanders 1 – JB2 A's:
PITCHING: D. Green 2 IP, 0 ER, 3 K; S. Papi 2 IP, 0 R; BATTING: A. Ogake 2 H, 3 R, 3 SB; B. Johnson 3 H; K. Collett 2 H

53's Omaha Indians 8, Kennebec Cubs 7 – CSP2 Indians:
PITCHING: B. Peck 5.2 IP, 4 K, W; BATTING: J. Waters 3/5, 2B, 3 RBI; M. Kosmecki 3/6, 2 SB; J. Breeling 2/4, 2B, RBI; D. Calvert 2/5, RBI, 2 SB; D. Critser 2/5, 2 SB; B. Peck 2/5, 2 RBI

53's Wright Field Reds 8, Michigan Stars 3 TP-S Stars: PITCHING: A. Vickery 3 IP, 2 ER, 3 K, W; P. Pierce 6 IP, 0 BB, 0 ER, 6 K; BATTING: J. Brohas 3/4, 2B, 2 RBI, 3 R, SB; P. MacVeigh 1/3, 2 RBI, R, 3 SB; P. Reamy 2BB, 2 R, 2 SB; D. McElveen 2 BB, 2 SB

65's ASBA Indians 12, Asheville Sox 7 – JB3 Sox: BATTING: S. Pope 2/4, RBI; R. McAlister 2/4, RBI; R. Alexander 1/2; A. Edmiston 1/3, 3 R; D. Fielder 1/3, RBI, 2 R; P. Allen 1/4

65's Asheville Sox 15, St. Louis Braves 3 – JB-S Sox: PITCHING: S. Pope 8 IP, 7 H, 2 BB, W; BATTING: Carlton Blackburn 3/4, 2 RBI, R; J. Iannucci 2/5, 2 RBI, R; B. Jensen 2/4, 2 RBI, 3 R; T.



Photo By: Greg Wagner

Maine Woods Baseball catcher's mitt is a little bit dusty

Pressley 2/5, 2 R; R. McAlister 2/4, RBI; G. Graham 2/5, RBI, 2 R

65's Kent Mudhens 8, USA Volkers Group 6 – JB3 Mudhens:
PITCHING: L. Munoz 7 IP, 2 K, 6 ER, W; J. Hostler 2 IP, 2 K, SV; BATTING: D. Stauffer 3/3, 2 RBI; D. Vowles 2/4, RBI; D. Allen 2/5

65's Midwest Nine 15, Wilmington NC Thunder 5 – CL2 Nine:
PITCHING: L. Sample 7 IP, 6 H, 3 ER, CG; BATTING: L. Bailey 4/6, 3 RBI, 3 R, 2 SB

65's Nova Scotia Monarchs 12, Philadelphia Gray Rocks 10 – JB5 Monarchs: PITCHING: R. Knight W; BATTING: M. Fox 4/6; K. Hotchkiss 2/3

Tuesday

53's Omaha Indians 6, Banana Sharks 5 – PDC3 Indians:
PITCHING: Breeling W; Critser SV; BATTING: J. Breeling 4/5, 2B, RBI, R; B. Mancuso 3/5, 2B; D. Critser 2/3, R; M. Kozmecki 2/4, 2B, 2 R; A. Cotton 3/5

53's Omaha Indians 10, Steel City Hawks 0 – PDC2 Indians:
PITCHING: Critser W; Neaman SV; BATTING: J. Waters 3/3, 3 R; B. Mancuso 3/5, R; J. Breeling 2/4, 2 R; D. Critser 2/4, RBI, R; D. Calvert 2/4, RBI

65's Nova Scotia Monarchs 12, Tallahassee Classics 2 – CL4 Monarchs: PITCHING: A. Slaunwhite W; BATTING: K. Cody 3/3; R. Knight 3/3

75's New England Red Sox 5, National Spirit 4 – TP3 Red Sox:
PITCHING: B. Dewese 3 IP; BATTING: J. Crump 3/4; R. Graziano 3/4, 2 RBI

Wednesday

65's USA Volkers Group 18, Asheville Sox 6 – PDC3 Sox:
BATTING: D. Felders 3/4, 2 RBI; C. Blackburn 3/4, RBI; G. McDonald 2/4, RBI, 2 R; B. Jensen 1/1, 3B, RBI; A. Edmiston 1/2, 3 R; P. Allen 1/3; S. Pope 1/4, RBI



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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Don Duckworth, Toledo

Paramount: Toledo Paramount had been attending the RHWS for many, many years. Fort Myers is the best. We won the RHWS AA Masters Division in 2007, 2008. It was an experience we will never forget winning back to back. Of course, we returned in 2009 and low and behold our Toledo Paramount Club pulled a “what the” and won the Masters “AAA” division! 3 in a ROW! Celebrating on the concourse of then Lee County was the pinnacle of Toledo Paramount Baseball. Thanks to Tom Giffen when he headed to Toledo way back in the early “90’s” to get this RH baseball machine rolling in our area. And it’s still rolling, different teams with a bunch of us getting older...but never forgetting how the RHWS has changed our perspective on our baseball lives. Roy Hobbs baseball is and always will be great!!

Jim Dyvig, Minnesota Bandits: Coming from Minnesota the first year I came down (we did not win a game) I went home and told my wife, I have friends who deer hunt every fall, this is going to be my deer hunting trip every year. I believe I can say this for hundreds of players from Minnesota and all around, thank you!

Stephen Eddy, Massachusetts Chiefs: This is our 20th RHWS. It started for us as a way to revive past relationships with teammates and opponents alike. As the years went by, we developed relationships with a lot of new people. Beyond the championships, wins and defeats, the RHWS has become an annual event for my family. Both of my brothers have played for me while my dad helps me coach. In recent years, my son has also been coming along. We are blessed having the opportunity to have this event as a family outing every fall. My dad is now 86 and he recently told me that his week in Fort Myers with his sons and grandson is the highlight of his year.

Daryl Fein: The Roy Hobbs World Series has become a way of life. It’s marked on my mental calendar the minute it ends for the following year. The competition and the bonding are what bring us back year after year. The on-field experience cannot be replaced and will always be remembered. My brothers (Alan and Frank) played alongside of me for several years and that will be cherished

forever. How many families can say that? As always, my mental calendar is set for November. I figure it will be set as long as I’m breathing.



Rich Gale, umpire & former MLB

pitcher: My first-year pitching in the RHWS, I thought that all I had to do was throw my glove out there, since I was a former MLB pitcher. (I started 2 MLB WS games!) I got absolutely hammered! The next time I came, I prepared well, and helped our team win the Masters Division. But not without bumps. In the semis, I came in to start the 7th with a 1-run lead. Two hitters later we were down by a run! After surrendering an absolute bomb! 450-feet at least. But I settled down, pitched 3 innings and finished the game and we came back and won. 2 hours later I started the championship game, went 9 and won 2-1, beating my old KC Royals

teammate, Craig Eaton, who also pitched a CG. So, 12 innings in 5 hours. After the final out, my 3B, George Vincula (about 5’ 10” and 225) ran in and jumped into my arms. To this day I still don’t know how I didn’t collapse. Even with all of the experiences I’d had in MLB, it was one of the most fun and rewarding times I’ve had in my career. I love our game!

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