



ROY HOBBS WORLD SERIES INSIDE PITCH

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Attachment to Indians nickname strong

BY GLENN MILLER

Roy Hobbs Baseball

Cleveland no longer has an MLB franchise called the Indians but the Roy Hobbs World Series has 3 - count 'em 3! - Indians ... 2 from Northeast Ohio, home of the Cleveland Baseball club, formerly the Indians.

That would be the Crystal Clinic Indians and the Cuyahoga Indians. And the third band of Indians are from Omaha, Nebraska being a far cry from Cleveland.

Although it's been four years since Cleveland's MLB team name was changed to something that starts with the letter G, the move still rankles some fans.

"I hate to say this, but I refuse to call them the Guardians," said Tony Angelo of the Cuyahoga Indians Tuesday afternoon at JetBlue.

That sentiment is widespread around both teams.

Indians?

"It just reminds you of being a kid," said Rich Metz of Crystal Clinic.

Players from both teams emphasize the history of a franchise that goes back to 1901 and in its early years was also known as the Blues, Napoleons and Naps before becoming the Indians in 1915.

The name of the franchise for more than a century means something to some of these players.

"I just like the history," said Bob Fornicola of Crystal Clinic.

That's a theme echoed by Crystal Clinic manager Dean Testa.

"Baseball is built on tradition," Testa said.

The Guardians play in Progressive Field, a place that Fornicola has never attended for a game.

"But I've been to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame," Fornicola said,

Pressure forced the franchise to change the name. Could there have been a better choice than Guardians?

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photos by Greg Wagner

Clockwise from Top Left: Rich Metz, Lou Petit, Ted Lesar, and Bob Fornicola of the Crystal Clinic Indians

INDIANS

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"Let's put it this way, there would not have been a good choice," said Cuyahoga manager Bill Russo, a Roy Hobbs Hall of Famer.

The Crystal Clinic Indians once played under another name, according to pitcher Mike Hoffman.

"We were the Redskins, but our sponsor didn't like Redskins," Hoffman said.

Before the formation of the American League in 1901 and the birth of a franchise formerly known now as the Indians, Cleveland had a National League franchise. The Spiders played from 1887 to 1899. Their last season was the worst in MLB history. The 1899 squad was 20-134 for a .130 winning percentage.

The Spiders name had been bandied about a possible new name for the franchise.

"I would have been OK with that," Hoffman said, "I won't buy any of their apparel that says Guardians."

A new generation is now growing up in northeast Ohio who will only know Guardians.

"My grandkids will not know the difference," said Brad Cisar of Cuyahoga.

His grandkids are 2 and 4. Both were born after the Indians became the Guardians.

But in the Roy Hobbs World Series there are still 2 Northeast Ohio teams called Indians.

*Cuyahoga Indians
pitcher and Roy
Hobbs Hall of
Famer Bill Russo*



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LEGENDS TUESDAY RESULTS

Bellacino's Red Sox 21, Chicago Pilots 13
Bergen Yankees 14, White Bear Lake Bears 13
Canton Tigers 20, Okaloosa Slammers 4
Carolina Thunder 20, Chesapeake Rays 7
Chicago Giants 14, Cleveland Steve's Sports 6
Chicago North RedHawks 15, HPK Oilers 2
Chicago Pilots 10, Americans Baseball 9
Chicago Woodpeckers 12, Michigan Dodgers 5
Dayton Angels 9, Omaha Indians 7
DC Pirates 7, Twin Peaks Lumberjacks 4
DuPage Red Sox 15, St. Louis Patriots 5
Glory Days 11, Huntsville Havoc 6
Hellcats 10, Ohio Brew Jays 9
Hellcats 19, Kodak Reds 6
Huntsville Havoc 18, Baltimore Thunder 8
Lansing Blue Jays 10, Florida Muskrats 0
Long Island Patriots 20, Fort Myers Cubs 7
Maine Black Bears 17, Nova Scotia Monarchs 10
Maine Black Bears 18, Tidewater Drillers 5
Minneapolis Millers 12, Banana Sharks 11
Minnesota Bandits 10, St. Louis Patriots 9
Nova Scotia Monarchs 14, Crystal Clinic Indians 6
Oakville Golden A's 12, Chicago Knights 8
Ohio Brew Jays 16, Chicago Jacks 0
Okaloosa Slammers 16, Chicago Jacks 10
Orlando Brewers 16, Jersey Bananas 0
Pittsburgh 10, Motor City Firebirds 1



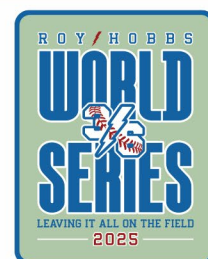
*American
Baseball Club's
shortstop Jose
Fernandez'
throw was in
time to get the
RIMA Foxes'
runner at first*

*photo by
Greg Wagner*

RIMA Foxes 16, Bellacino's Red Sox 6
SouthEast Cardinals 15, Florida Sharks 14 (10)
St. Louis A's 17, Cuyahoga Indians 5
Tampa Bay Hurricanes 17, Albany Whiz 7
Tennessee Dirtbags 17, Glory Days 7
Tennessee Dirtbags 21, Baltimore Thunder 5
Tidewater Drillers 15, Crystal Clinic Indians 5
USVI Hurricanes 12, New Jersey Twins 8
Westchester Fury 15 Baltimore Krushers 5
Wolfdogs 7, Albany Whiz 3



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LEGENDS TUESDAY STANDINGS

Legends Division

Standings Thru Tuesday's Games

AAAA Division	W	L	Pct.	RA
Orlando Brewers	4	0	1.000	7
Chicago Woodpeckers	4	0	1.000	16
Lansing Blue Jays	3	1	.750	7
Pittsburgh 53's	3	1	.750	25
Florida Sharks	3	1	.750	27
Michigan Dodgers	2	2	.500	26
Game 5 Division	W	L	Pct.	RA
Long Island Patriots	4	0	1.000	14
Maine Black Bears	4	0	001.0	22
Wolfdogs	3.5	0.5	.875	22
Tampa Bay Hurricanes	3.5	0.5	.875	35
St. Louis A's	3	1	.750	12
Americans Baseball Club	3	1	.750	23
Chicago North Redhawks	3	1	.750	27
Twin Peaks Lumberjacks	3	1	.750	28
Baltimore Krushers	3	1	.750	30
Oakville Golden A's	3	1	.750	33
US Virgin Islands Hurricanes	3	1	.750	34
DuPage Red Sox	3	1	.750	35
Bergen Yankees	3	1	.750	37
Tidewater Drillers	3	1	.750	40
Tennessee Dirtbags	3	1	.750	44
Hellcats	3	1	.750	46
Kodak Reds	3	1	.750	52
Glory Days	3	1	.750	66
Minneapolis Millers	2	2	.500	32
Chicago Giants	2	2	.500	32
St. Louis Patriots	2	2	.500	36

Carolina Thunder	2	2	.500	40
Chicago Knights	2	2	.500	41
SouthEast Cardinals	2	2	.500	41
Dayton Angels	2	2	.500	41
Canton Tigers	2	2	.500	41
Westchester Fury	2	2	.500	42
Minnesota Bandits	2	2	.500	43
Fort Myers Cubs	2	2	.500	43
Okaloosa Slammers	2	2	.500	63
Ohio Brew Jays	1	3	.250	30
Florida Muskrats	1	3	.250	40
White Bear Lake Bears	1	3	.250	42
Crystal Clinic Indians	1	3	.250	48
Cleveland Steve's Sports	1	3	.250	50
HPK Oilers	1	3	.250	50
DC Pirates	1	3	.250	50
New Jersey Twins	1	3	.250	51
Chesapeake Rays	1	3	.250	52
Banana Sharks	1	3	.250	54
RIMA Foxes	1	3	.250	54
Albany Whiz	1	3	.250	56
Bellacino's Red Sox	1	3	.250	59
Nova Scotia Monarchs	1	3	.250	60
Huntsville Havoc	1	3	.250	60
Chicago Pilots	1	3	.250	69
Motor City Firebirds	0	4	.000	51
Jersey Bananas	0	4	.000	57
Cuyahoga Indians	0	4	.000	61
Omaha Indians	0	4	.000	62
Baltimore Thunder	0	4	.000	70
Chicago Jacks	0	4	.000	73



Head to *Sidelines* to replay the game and tell lies

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LEGENDS WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

RHWS Legends Division Wednesday's Schedule

NOTE: Please check standings to make sure W-L record & Runs Allowed are correct.

**Flip a coin for home team in all game 5s
10 AM**

JB-S – Cuyahoga Indians vs. DC Pirates
LH-S – Canton Tigers vs. Chicago Knights
LH3 – Chicago North RedHawks vs. Glory days
LH4 – Fort Myers Cubs vs. Minneapolis Millers
LH6 – Minnesota Bandits vs. SouthEast Cardinals
PDC1 – Chesapeake Rays vs. Ohio Brew Crew
PDC2 – Maine Black Bears vs. Wolfdogs
PDC3 – Bergen Yankees vs. Tampa Bay Hurricanes
PDC4 – Americans Baseball vs. Tennessee Dirtbags
PDC5 – Chicago Pilots vs. Crystal Clinic Indians
TP-S – St. Louis A's vs. Tidewater Drillers
TP2 – Bellacino's Red Sox vs. White Bear Lake Bears
TP3 – Cleveland Steve's Sports vs. Nova Scotia Monarchs
TP4 – Florida Muskrats vs. RIMA Foxes

1:45 PM

JB-S – Long Island Patriots vs. Twin Peaks Lumberjacks
LH-S – Oakville Golden A's vs. USVI Hurricanes
LH3 – Baltimore Krushers vs. Hellcats
LH4 – Carolina Thunder vs. Westchester Fury
LH6 – Dayton Angels vs. DuPage Red Sox
PDC1 – Tampa Bay Hurricanes @ Wolfdogs continuation
PDC2 – Jersey Bananas vs. Omaha Indians
PDC3 – Huntsville Havoc vs. Motor City Firebirds
PDC4 – Baltimore Thunder vs. Chicago Jacks
PDC5 – Chicago Giants vs. Okaloosa Slammers



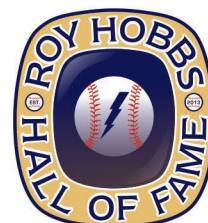
*Todd Purdham
of the Americans
Baseball Club
high-fiving after
scoring a run
vs. the USVI
Hurricanes*

*photo by
Greg Wagner*

TP-S – Kodak Reds vs. St. Louis Patriots
TP2 – HPK Oilers vs. New Jersey Twins
TP4 – Albany Whiz vs. Banana Sharks



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NOTEBOOK



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USVI Hurricanes starting pitcher Colin King vs. the Americans Baseball Club

Pairings Party Thursday night

Sidelines Sports Grill will host Roy Hobbs World Series Division Pairings Party Thursday night. It is open to all RHWS participants

Doors open at Sidelines – at the corner of Colonial Blvd. and Veronica Shoemaker Blvd - at 7 p.m., and snacks will be provided starting at 7 p.m. This is not a dinner, but rather finger foods to go with a cash bar for alcohol and soft drinks.

Roy Hobbs personnel will be present the pairings at 7:30 p.m. Tom Giffen will be available to explain how pairings were set up. **Please note that if you have issues with the brackets, seeing Tom Thursday night is the ONLY way to handle that.** He will not be available after he leaves the party.

Once the pairings are presented, they will be posted on royhobbs.com/world-series around 8 p.m.

Roy Hobbs will be presenting a raffle along with a Thursday night 50/50 raffle.

Come and be prepared to enjoy yourself.

Results corrections

Please check the posted results and standings each day. Managers should contact Tom at the Tournament

Headquarters with corrections to scores: tg@royhobbs.com.

That's the best way to make sure that playoff seedings and pairings are as accurate as we can make them.



Score Reporting System Updated

The system – Mighty Forms – we were using in the past went belly up 10 days ago after a massive internet meltdown.

So here's how we are getting scores: There is a QR code posted in every dugout. Scan the code with your phone after every game and complete the score submission form, which includes places for your Player of the Game and your umpire evaluations.

1. Click on royhobbs.com. Some phones will show the royhobbs with a white outline. Then, you will see Game Schedule at the top of the page.
2. In the box that says search teams enter your team name.
3. Tournament is Roy Hobbs World Series beyond the 3 dots, it says 2025.
4. There is a Division dropdown. This week Legends 53+.
5. Then you see today's date.
6. Then your game(s) show up, and you click on Report Score.

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NOTEBOOK



*Minneapolis
Millers 2nd
baseman Doug
Ohs takes the
throw and is about
to tag out Mickey
Borden of the
Chicago North
Redhawks*

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Greg Wagner*

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7. You enter scores. When your opponent enters the score and they match then the score is confirmed.
8. Then, as an option, you can enter player of the game (first and last names) and, if you wish, rate umpires.
9. Submit, and thank you.



50/50 raffle

50/50 raffle tickets, to benefit the Roy Hobbs Foundation, are available each day at the Player Development Complex. Tickets are \$1 apiece or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held in the patio area at the Player Development Complex at 5 PM Friday.

The Roy Hobbs Foundation was established to raise monies for research on finding a cure for Leukemia and to assist our Challenged Athlete friends.

Revenues from past RHWS have led to greater than \$15,000 in contributions to MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, St. Jude Hospital in Memphis and to Southern Florida Challenger Athletes.

The ticket number will be posted on our website. You do not have to collect in person, just proof of the ticket.



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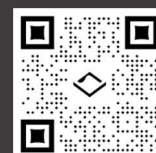


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Huntsville Havoc's
David Britton
warming up his arm



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subject to dismissal from the World Series, period.



Parking

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Water, Water Water

The heat in SW Florida can be debilitating, and overheating issues will sneak up on players. Get water every inning in the dugout!



Players of the Game

Tuesday's games

DC Pirates 7, Twin Peaks Lumberjacks 4: **Pirates** - Pete Cressy 3x4, 2B, 3 RBI, 1 BB
Orlando Brewers 16, Jersey Bananas 0: **Bananas** - Louis Diaz 2x3, 2B, 1 SB
Bellacino Red Sox 21, Chicago Pilots 13: **Red Sox** - Butch Mogavero 4x6, 2 HR, 7 RBI, 3 R
Bergen Yankees 14, White Bear Lake Bears 13: **Yankees** - Christo Christonikos 4x5, 2B, 3 RBI, 1 SB
Carolina Thunder 20, Chesapeake Rays 7: **Thunder** - Steve Wiegels, Greg Ferri, Robert Sikorski and Keith Williams each 3 Hits
Chicago North RedHawks 15, HPK Oilers 2: **RedHawks** - Karl Falkstrom 4x5, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 1 SB
Chicago Pilots 10, Americans Baseball 9: **Pilots** - Greg Greyerbiehl 3x5, 2B, 3 RBI, 1 R
Hellcats 19, Kodak Reds 7: **Hellcats** - Mark Grassia 5x6, 2 HR, 7 RBI, 3 R
Huntsville Havoc 18, Baltimore Thunder 8: **Havoc** - Randy Bolton 4x5, 2B, 4 R, 6 RBI
Long Island Patriots 20, Fort Myers Cubs 7: **Patriots** - Chuck Elder 3x5, 2 HR, 6 RBI; Carl Thelemann 4x5, 2B, 4 RBI; Kirk Johnson 3x4, 4 RBI
St. Louis A's 17, Cuyahoga Indians 5: **A's** - Ben Northcutt 4x5, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 2 R
Tennessee Dirtbags 21, Baltimore Thunder 5: **Thunder** - Artie Johnson 2-for-2, 3 RBI, BB
USVI Hurricanes 12, New Jersey Twins 8: **Hurricanes** - Frank Somma 3 H, 2 2B; Don Gesing 7.1 IP relief, Gutierrez 4x5, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 2 R
Note: Managers submit first and last names of their Player of the Game on the score App after each game.

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