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Welcome WS Bar-B-Q Tonight
Tempe Diablo Stadium
6:00p - 10:00p

Home Run Hitting
Contest
8:00p - 10:00p



Today's WS Championship Games

28+ National Division

Scottsdale Mudcats

vs

Atlanta Astros

9:15a Chandler # 1

28+ American Division

La Grange Cardinals

vs

Sacramento Giants

12:30p Chandler # 1

38+ National Division

Dallas Blue Stars

vs

Long Island Mets

9:15a Chandler # 4

38+ American Division

Tri Valley 40's

vs

Arizona All Stars

12:30p Chandler # 4

MSBL WS Champs Crowned Today - MABL Wraps Up



MABL Detroit Dodgers catcher **Jacy Harnois** frames this pitch during N. Illinois Cubs batter **Mark Zahara's** at bat in the 6th inning of yesterday's game at Tempe Diablo Std.

Underdogs Looking To Upset Top Seeds - MABL Pool Play Round Winds Down

By Tom Prendergast

In the 38+ National Championship game today, the top seed Long Island Mets play the #2 seed Dallas Blue Stars. These were the only top two teams to both reach the finals. In the 38+ American championship game, #1 seed Arizona All Stars takes on #3 seed Tri Valley 40's. In the 28+ National final game, #6 seed Scottsdale Mudcats plays #4 seed Atlanta Astros. In the biggest surprise, #7 seed LaGrange Cardinals takes on #3 seed Sacramento Giants in the 28+ American championship.

Several MABL divisions are still too close to call and playoff spots remain open in almost every division. Today's games might as well be playoff games for a few teams who need two more wins today to clinch a spot in the playoff round. The MABL playoffs get underway on Saturday with the championship games set for Sunday.

This evening, the MSBL / MABL WS hosts the welcome Bar-B-Q at Tempe Diablo Stadium, for which every player received a ticket. The Home Run Derby begins at 8:00p.

Note: TBA American Playoff Game (9:30a) Div 1 2nd vs Div 3 will be played 9:15a Mesa Comm College

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38+ National Playoff Results

Oakland Expos	9
So Cal Blue Jays	10
San Jose All-Stars	7
Sacramento Rivercats	6
San Jose All-Stars	6
Long Island Mets	14
So Cal Blue Jays	6
Dallas Blue Stars	9

38+ American Playoff Results

Puget Sound Scorpions	4
Arizona All-Stars	7
Tri-Valley 40's	10
Austin Legends	6

28+ National Playoff Results

Scottsdale Mudcats	6
Dallas Hansen	1
Austin Texans	3
Atlanta Astros	5
Scottsdale Mudcats	12
Sonoma County Cubs	4
Atlanta Astros	12
SW Missouri - Pepsi	5

28+ American Playoff Results

Nor-Cal Stars	17
EHOB Giants	13
LaGrange Cardinals	16
Dan Smith Condors	9
Dallas (CA) Orioles	3
Sacramento Giants	10
Wilson-DeMarini Giants	5
Grand Rapids Kosters	1
Nor-Cal Stars	6
Sacramento Giants	17
LaGrange Cardinals	16
Wilson-DeMarini Giants	11

Diary of an Aging Baseball Player

By Max Utsler

Phoenix Forecast—Sunny and 80 (V)
Skies Partly Cloudy with Baseballs

Wrapping up the week brings me to my final weather related topic—snow. Earlier I told you about shoveling six inches of snow off the field at the University of Minnesota so we could play Purdue. Because college baseball starts so early occasional games do get snowed out. Six inches in most any state south of Minnesota would have pushed things back at least one day. That's if it snows the night before.

I'll never forget the second game of the Kansas City Royals season a couple of years ago. Opening Day was beautiful. The second day, an off-day, was also beautiful. The Royals were scheduled to play a night game on the third day. Throughout the day the temperature fell. Snow was in the forecast. But I was going to the game. I didn't share those tickets behind home plate with baseball buddies Bryan Krantz and Tom Prendergast for nothing.

So I went to my ski storage area at home. I pulled out my bibs, my turtleneck, my long johns, and ski socks. I armed myself with my Chicago Bears parka and ski gloves. For insurance I brought along my Bears stocking cap/face mask/helmet.

Game time temperature was 30 degrees. I guess MLB was operating off the Coach Siebert rules. The game was moving along briskly. You'd be surprised how quickly the pitchers pitch and the batters bat when the mercury dips below Fahrenheit's Mendoza line.

Around the fifth inning, snow began to fall. And it was falling hard. When you looked at those thick snowflakes backlit by the stadium lights, you thought it was snowing paper plates. At times the snow was so thick you couldn't see the right fielder. But the ground was still relatively warm, so the flakes melted when they landed. And that's when it struck me. "Do you know how much it has to snow to snow out a baseball game?"

I'm guessing it would have needed to snow about 32 inches to snow out that game. The ground never cooled to the extent the snow could accumulate. And it would take 30 inches of snow to equal, what 3 inches of rain. That wasn't going to happen. Plus, the players were playing the game so quickly it would have had to snow 32 inches in an hour and a half to snow the game out. A snow delay? No way. It snowed for the next 14 hours.

So Arizonans, Texans and Californians, see what you've been missing. Come back and visit us in the Midwest sometime. How about playing us the best two out of three that last week in March? Then you'll learn about the other side of baseball weather. It will make you appreciate Phoenix in October even more.

Puglisi Recognized for Work with Kids

By Joel Becker

You've probably seen Vic Puglisi at Tempe Diablo out near this year's new information area. Well, next time you do, maybe take a minute to shake his hand and thank him for all the great work he does with children in San Bernadino County. The county's Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission already has.

We here at the *Daily News* managed to dig up a recent story in the *Alpenhorn News* applauding Vic's efforts and accomplishments, as he was honored for his outstanding commitment of time, skills, energy, and concern to meet the needs of children. The *Daily News* staff would like to join in honoring the deserving Puglisi.

Great job, Vic. Keep up the good work!

Scorebook.com Provides Free Stat Service for Participating Teams

By Joel Becker

Scorebook.com, the new internet stat service at this year's WS, is further sweetening its pot of services by offering a FREE "Pro" Package for your league's 2003 season back home. The only catch is you have to fully participate with Scorebook.com at this tournament (that is, enter all game statistics at your games here).

Scorebook.com's Mitch Miles said the offer/gift is their way to thank all the teams that participated fully with Scorebook.com. He said he hopes everyone here has enjoyed his experience on Scorebook.com during this year's 2002 MSBL / MABL World Series.

American Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Orange County Padres	3	0	0	6	10
Pacific Coast Braves	2	1	0	4	37
Houston Mudcats	1	2	0	2	22
Denver Wolverines	1	2	0	2	29
California Cannons	1	2	0	2	30

American Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Las Vegas Heat	3	0	0	6	13
Arizona Mavericks	2	1	0	4	24
Chicago Ravens	2	1	0	4	26
So California Snappers	1	2	0	2	16
Denver Tigers	1	2	0	2	27
Long Island Black Sox	0	3	0	0	32

American Division 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
So. California Titans	3	0	0	6	9
Long Island Sundevils	2	1	0	4	15
N. Illinois Cubs	2	1	0	4	17
San Diego Stro's	0	3	0	0	34
Detroit Dodgers	0	3	0	0	43

MABL National Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Long Island Storm	3	0	0	6	9
Tinsel Town Terror	3	0	0	6	20
Kansas City Titans	2	1	0	4	18
Brooklyn Sports Fever	1	2	0	2	26
San Diego Trots	0	3	0	0	30
British Capital Group Titans	0	3	0	0	32

Mabl Cent1 Thursday Results Mabl Amer1 Thursday Results

Albuquerque A's	4	California Cannons	5
Chicago Redhawks	12	Houston Mudcats	2
Inland Pacific Giants	11	Pacific Coast Braves	13
Bay Area Astros	20	Denver Wolverines	11
Eagle Valley Merchants	6	Orange County Padres	13
Houston Sky Sox	9	San Diego Stro's	5
Albuquerque A's	8	Denver Wolverines	3
Inland Pacific Giants	11	Orange County Padres	7

Houston Sky Sox	7	N. Illinois Cubs	7
Bay Area Astros	8	Houston Mudcats	8
Chicago Redhawks	3	California Cannons	13
So California Blaze	7	Pacific Coast Braves	18

Mabl Cent2 Thursday Results Mabl Amer2 Thursday Results

Roswell Pirates	2	So California Snappers	8
Flagstaff Thunder	7	Las Vegas Heat	13
Southern California Blaze	5	Long Island Black Sox	9
Lake Arrowhead Roadkill	2	Chicago Ravens	11
Eagle Valley Merchants	11	Denver Tigers	2
Roswell Pirates	3	So California Snappers	1
Lake Arrowhead Roadkill	12	Las Vegas Heat	13
Flagstaff Thunder	10	Chicago Ravens	3

Mabl Cent3 Thursday Games

Chicago Rebels	16	Arizona Mavericks	18
Denver Yankees	8	Denver Tigers	3
Twin City Giants	0	Arizona Mavericks	17
Inland Pacific Storm	7	Long Island Black Sox	14

Denver Yankees	10
Twin City Giants	7
Chicago Rebels	7
Scottsdale Silver A's	10
Inland Pacific Storm	2
Co Springs Haynes Giants	9
Scottsdale Silver A's	8
Co Springs Haynes Giants	3

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Central Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Bay Area Astros	3	0	0	6	26
Houston Sky Sox	2	1	0	4	17
Chicago Redhawks	2	2	0	4	28
Inland Pacific Giants	1	3	0	2	60
Albuquerque A's	0	3	0	0	41

Central Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Southern California Blaze	3	0	0	6	5
Flagstaff Thunder	2	1	0	4	18
Lake Arrowhead Roadkill	2	1	0	4	19
Eagle Valley Merchants	1	2	0	2	26
Roswell Pirates	0	3	0	0	31

Central Division 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Scottsdale Silver A's	3	0	0	6	13
Inland Pacific Storm	2	1	0	4	11
Chicago Rebels	2	1	0	4	22
Co Springs Haynes Giants	1	2	0	2	17
Denver Yankees	1	2	0	2	39
Twin City Giants	0	3	0	0	27

Federal Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Pacific Coast Bombers	3	0	0	6	9
Bay Area Rockies	2	1	0	4	20
Sacramento Braves	2	1	0	4	22
Elmendorf Eagles	1	2	0	2	41
Tulie	1	2	0	2	49
Daytona Beach Yankees	0	3	0	0	35

Federal Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Sacramento Yankees	3	0	0	6	17
Boston United	3	0	0	6	19
LA Dogmellon	2	1	0	4	28
Long Island Yankees	1	2	0	2	30
Chicago Mudsharks	0	3	0	0	33
Des Moines Vikings	0	3	0	0	55

Mabl National Thursday Results Mabl Fed1 Thursday Results

Long Island Storm	8	Bay Area Rockies	10
British Capital Group Titans	3	Elmendorf Eagles	11
Tinsel Town Terror	4	Sacramento Braves	8
Brooklyn Sports Fever	3	Daytona Beach Yankees	7

Kansas City Titans	11	Tulie	4
San Diego Trots	8	Pacific Coast Bombers	19
Brooklyn Sports Fever	3	Bay Area Rockies	12
Long Island Storm	18	Sacramento Braves	4

San Diego Trots	7	Elmendorf Eagles	6
Tinsel Town Terror	12	Tulie	7
Kansas City Titans	13	Pacific Coast Bombers	20
British Capital Group Titans	6	Daytona Beach Yankees	2

Mabl Amer3 Thursday Results Mabl Fed2 Thursday Results

Detroit Dodgers	4	Boston United	13
So. California Titans	10	Long Island Yankees	7
So. California Titans	6	Sacramento Yankees	21
Long Island Sundevils	3	LA Dogmellon	6

Detroit Dodgers	4	Boston United	21
N. Illinois Cubs	22	Des Moines Vikings	5
San Diego Stro's	6	Long Island Yankees	8
Long Island Sundevils	13	Chicago Mudsharks	4

Note: MABL playoffs teams may be switched to avoid teams from the same leagues.

LA Dogmellon	12
Chicago Mudsharks	1
Des Moines Vikings	6
Sacramento Yankees	20



Brooklyn Sports Fever batter **Jay Anarumo** eyes this pitch during his team's game yesterday against the Tinsel Town Terror.



WS masseuse **Bob Farr** relieves some tension from the aching muscles of this WS player between Tempe Fields No. 2 and 3.



MABL player **Edwin Martinez** of the Brooklyn Sports Fever trots across home plate yesterday morning at Tempe Diablo Stadium.



Like an Easter Egg hunt gone bad, Kansas City Titans player **Shane Hicks** pulls baseballs off the roof at Tempe Diablo #2.



MABL Kansas City Titans batter **Dustin Prothe** takes a swing at this pitch yesterday in a game against the San Diego Trots.



San Diego Trots pitcher **Jake Bowen** winds up and lets go of this pitch in a game against the Kansas City Titans yesterday.