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**MSBL 65+ Exhibition Game
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**Up To the Moment MSBL WS Results
Available On Scorebook.com**

By Tom Prendergast

Good communication, which has always been a key factor in the long running success of the MSBL / MABL World Series, takes a giant leap forward this year. The creative and ingenious folks at **Scorebook.com** have come up with a way to get World Series scores out to the players as soon as they are reported.

In the past, when a score was reported, the WS staff would first write it down on paper and then type it into a spreadsheet. Another staff member would copy the data and change the standings based on the new results. The next step would be to update the WS PowerPoint file with the new scores and current standings.

Every couple of hours, a staff member would update the WS PowerPoint file running continuously in the World Series Information office in the novelty room on the mezzanine level at Tempe Diablo Stadium. By the time that information was out, it was already two hours old! That was then, this is now.

This year, as soon as the WS office gets the score it will be entered into the WS Scorebook.com database. Current divisional standings will automatically be calculated based on these new results. In fact, not only will these results be available at Tempe Diablo Stadium, but they will be accessible to anyone online anywhere in the world.

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Least Runs Allowed Category Crucial To Playoff Hopefuls



*Chicago Fire Batter **Jim Ruppert** drives one to left in a 48+ American Division game at Tempe Diablo Stadium yesterday morning against the Indianapolis Old Stars.*

Central Division Rules Require 100% Participation During All Pool Play Games

By Tom Prendergast

The prime directive for teams in the MSBL World Series Central Division is one of complete participation from all players on the roster. This basic and simple concept is one that is apparently causing some confusion and consternation within the managerial ranks. Yesterday, an anonymous Central team won a game by one run but lost (on a protest appeal) because they failed to bat all of their players. Their argument was that if they had been allowed to bat in the bottom of the ninth they would have been in compliance. They also added that if they had been the visiting team they would have gotten their at bats and therefore shouldn't be penalized because they were the home team.

As compelling as that argument was, ultimately it was determined that they had not been in compliance with the rules that require all players must get at least one at bat. Cen-



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**Diary of an Aging Baseball Player**

By Max Utsler

Naming Your Team More Difficult Than It Looks

A record number of teams have come to Phoenix for the 15th annual Men's Senior Baseball World Series. Out of 330 teams, you would think at least a dozen could come up with clever names.

But when you hear names such as the *San Diego Diegans*, the *Sun Valley Suns*, and the *British Capital Group Titans*, you have to wonder.

We do feature some new entries in the clever category. My personal favorite is the *Tacoma Tugs*. But then I have always had a warm place in my heart for alliteration. The *Nor Cal Antiques* still win my award for the best long-term nickname, but the *South Dakota Rushmores* run a close second.

I also found in this year's pairings some team names that bring out the reporter in me and make me want to ask what is the story behind this name.

- *The San Diego Trots* (The last time I heard the word "trots" in a sentence it had the words "back-door" in front of it)
- *Terre Haute Volkers* (With aluminum bats, do they really go up to bat looking for a "volk?")
- *Terre Haute Volkers Group* (I suppose not to be confused with the Volkers)
- *N. Virginia Silver Eagles* (What happened to the Kenilworth's and the Mack's?)
- *Tulie* (Huh?)
- *Des Moines Vikings* (Some cities and nicknames just don't fit)
- *Arizona Oilmen* (See above)
- *Millenium Properties Pirates* (There is only some much you can do with a sponsor name. Even the Tugs would not be a fit).
- *LA Dogmellon* (I am not sure I want to know).
- *Fed Lock Federals* (Is this short for Federal lockdown? Put them in the Penitentiary League).
- *Tecumseh Green Giants* (I doubt if they are either green or giant).
- *U. S. Coasters* (Huh?)
- *Minnesota Crosstown Traffic* (There must be story here)

We might also be able to spur new interest in the MSBL World Series plus solve some of the annual problems caused by charges of "sandbagging," playing in a division below your team's skill level. I recommend we place teams in divisions based on their nicknames. Here is how the 2002 series would shake out.

The **Anthropology Division** would include: the *Riverside Aztecs*, *Colorado Springs Explorers*, *Salem Renegades*, *Connecticut Explorers*, *Arizona Outlaws*, and two *Tribes* (*Fresno* and *Elk Grove*). The *Chicago Rebels* were disqualified for lack of understanding of the Mason-Dixon Line.

The **City Zoo Division** would include: the *Pacific Coast Barracudas*, *Southern California Snappers*, *Bay Area Beavers*, *Arizona Rattlers*, *Denver Wolverines* (manager must be a Michigan man), two *Bulls*, two *Grizzlies* and the *Chicago Mudsharks*. (I didn't know sharks swam in the Chicago River). The *Northern Illinois Razorbacks* were also disqualified for violation of the Mason-Dixon Line Rule.

The **Stranded in a Different Sport Division** would include: *Chicago Ravens*, *San Antonio Colts*, *Elmendorf Eagles*, *Puget Sound Chiefs*, and *North Valley Bears* in the NFC Central. The *Las Vegas Heat*, *LA Bulls* and *Arizona Mavericks* in the (Chasing Shaq Conference). No NHL Division this year, The *Canadians* misspelled their name. It's Canadiens!

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38+ Central Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Washington DC Mellow Thugs	3	0	0	6	7
Denver Black Sox	3	1	0	6	22
Long Island Mariners	2	1	0	4	23
Tucson Desert Diamonds	2	2	0	4	32
Albuquerque Rangers	1	2	0	2	25
Alaska Prospectors	1	3	0	2	43
Houston Indians	0	3	0	0	32

38+ Central Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
San Antonio Texans	3	0	0	6	18
Calgary Cardinals	3	0	0	6	27
Boise Hawks	1	1	1	3	26
Gulf Coast Marlins	1	1	1	3	28
Rogue Valley	1	2	0	2	50
Connecticut Navigators	0	2	2	2	61
Vermont Catamounts	0	3	0	0	53

38+ Central Division 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Long Island Rangers	3	0	0	6	20
Chicago N. Yankees	3	0	0	6	25
Boise Cardinals	2	1	0	4	23
Westchester Mets	1	2	0	2	29
San Antonio Red Sox	1	2	0	2	31
Oregon Braves	1	2	0	2	49
Des Moines Demons	0	4	0	0	64

38+ Central Division 4	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Vancouver Hounds	3	0	0	6	13
Denver Red Sox	3	0	0	6	23
Rochester Redwings	2	1	0	4	14
Kansas City Knights	2	2	0	4	54
Des Moines Yankees	1	2	0	2	41
Wine Country Indians	0	3	0	0	52
Omaha Dahl Welding	0	3	0	0	58

38+ Central Division 5	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Pennsylvania Hawks	3	0	0	6	10
Tri Valley Pirates	3	0	0	6	20
East Bay Giants	2	1	0	4	33
Seattle Blues	1	2	0	2	32
San Antonio Missions	1	2	0	2	37
Denver Storm	1	2	0	2	49
Lake Arrowhead Roadkill	0	4	0	0	73

38+ Continental Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA
St. Louis Gameface	2	1	0	4	8
Connecticut Bristol	2	1	0	4	29
Utah Diamondbacks	2	1	0	4	29
Chicago N. Express	2	1	0	4	30
Dallas Diamondbacks	2	2	0	4	34
Sonoma County Giants	1	2	0	2	19
So. California Yankees	1	2	0	2	33
San Antonio Bombers	1	2	0	2	34
Boston Wolfpack	1	2	0	2	35

58+ National Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Sacramento Rivercats	2	0	1	5	10
South Dakota Rushmores	2	1	0	4	10
Compadres	2	1	0	4	19
Berry's Athletic Supply	1	1	1	3	20

58+ American Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Chicago Skyliners	3	0	0	6	18
N. Virginia Silver Eagles	1	1	1	3	13
San Antonio Astros	1	2	0	2	25
Jersey Cardinals	1	3	0	2	42
Terre Haute Volkers	0	2	1	1	31

58+ American Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Philadelphia Phillies	3	0	0	6	12
St. Thomas Tradewinds	2	1	0	4	29
Dodgertown West	2	2	0	4	51
Arizona Oilmen	0	3	0	0	26
New England Red Sox	0	3	0	0	37

38+ Mountain Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Inland Pacific Astros	3	0	0	6	23
Quad City Blasters	2	1	0	4	21
Auburn Braves	2	1	0	4	25
Denver Mudhens	2	2	0	4	47
Indianapolis Cyclones	1	2	0	2	30
Fresno Phillies	1	2	0	2	33
Sonoma County Phillies	0	3	0	0	31

38+ Mountain Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Tulsa Hosers	3	0	0	6	18
East Providence Yankees	2	0	1	5	23
Santa Ynez Sox	2	1	0	4	16
Columbus Yankees	2	1	0	4	40
Chicago North Cubbies	1	1	1	3	39
N. Colorado Rockies	1	2	0	2	17
Oregon Outlaws	0	3	0	0	29
Foothill Dodgers	0	3	0	0	38

38+ Mountain Division 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Rhode Island Hurricanes	3	0	0	6	16
DC Cardinals	3	1	0	6	30
Tucson Yankees	2	1	0	4	9
Lehigh Valley Giants	2	1	0	4	17
RC Diamondbacks	1	2	0	2	39
Griswold Diamondbacks	0	3	0	0	47
Louisiana Storm	0	3	0	0	58

38+ Federal Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Boston Braves	3	0	0	6	8
West Coast Twins	3	0	0	6	13
Carlsbad Bombers	2	1	0	4	20
Lambton Old Dogs	2	1	0	4	30
Inland Pacific Apache	1	2	0	2	27
Sacramento Cardinals	1	2	0	2	33
Phoenix 40's	0	3	0	0	26
Columbus Dodgers	0	3	0	0	28

38+ Federal Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Calzona Tribe	3	0	0	6	8
Grand Rapids 38+	2	1	0	4	14
Tucson - The Show	2	1	0	4	23
South Dakota 38's	2	1	0	4	32
Kansas City Royals	2	2	0	4	37
Western Diamondbacks	1	2	0	2	33
Dallas Yankees	1	2	0	2	33
Houston Black Sox	0	4	0	0	68

48+ Central Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Dodgertown West B	3	1	0	6	28
Austin Express	2	0	0	4	12
Greenwood Ridge Dragons	2	1	0	4	23
Team America	1	2	0	2	31
Atlanta Royals	1	1	0	2	33
Puget Sound Chiefs	1	2	0	2	43
Homestead Brewers	0	3	0	0	54

48+ Central Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Fog City 40's	3	0	0	6	10
The Chicago Cubs	2	1	0	4	32
Red Deer Red Sox	2	1	0	4	33
Long Island Cubs	2	2	0	4	37
Foothill Senators	1	2	0	2	46
Taos Solar Sox	1	2	0	2	47

48+ Central Division 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Rhode Island Elmwood Sports	3	0	0	6	14
Dodgertown West A	2	1	0	4	29
Sacramento Solons	2	1	0	4	51
Long Island Braves	1	3	0	2	72
US Coasters	0	3	0	0	51
Philadelphia Phillies	0	3	0	0	65

38+ Cont Tuesday Results

Dallas Diamondbacks	10
Chicago N. Express	11
Connecticut Bristol	10
Boston Wolfpack	18
Utah Diamondbacks	18
So. California Yankees	14
St. Louis Gameface	4
San Antonio Bombers	5
Sonoma County Giants	5
Dallas Diamondbacks	7

38+ Fed1 Tuesday Results

Columbus Dodgers	3
Carlsbad Bombers	4
Boston Braves	9
Inland Pacific Apache	5
Lambton Old Dogs	5
West Coast Twins	20
Phoenix 40's	8
Sacramento Cardinals	11

38+ Fed2 Tuesday Results

Grand Rapids 38+	18
Dallas Yankees	2
Calzona Tribe	22
Houston Black Sox	6
Kansas City Royals	6
Houston Black Sox	5
South Dakota 38's	9
Tucson - The Show	20
Kansas City Royals	13
Western Diamondbacks	7
38+ Cent1 Tuesday Results	
Albuquerque Rangers	6
Alaska Prospectors	13
Tucson Desert Diamonds	5
Long Island Mariners	10
Denver Black Sox	16
Houston Indians	2
Alaska Prospectors	3
Washington DC Mellow Thugs	11
Denver Black Sox	4
Albuquerque Rangers	7
Tucson Desert Diamonds	1
Washington DC Mellow Thugs	9
Houston Indians	7
Long Island Mariners	9

38+ Cent2 Tuesday Results

Connecticut Navigators	11
Gulf Coast Marlins	11
Calgary Cardinals	8
Boise Hawks	7
Connecticut Navigators	12
Calgary Cardinals	24
Boise Hawks	9
Vermont Catamounts	6
San Antonio Texans	17
Vermont Catamounts	5
Gulf Coast Marlins	22
Rogue Valley	6
San Antonio Texans	19
Rogue Valley	11

38+ Cent3 Tuesday Results

Des Moines Demons	7
Long Island Rangers	23
Chicago N. Yankees	19
Boise Cardinals	8
San Antonio Red Sox	7
Westchester Mets	13
Des Moines Demons	9
Chicago N. Yankees	21
Boise Cardinals	12
Westchester Mets	4
Long Island Rangers	15
Oregon Braves	6
San Antonio Red Sox	26
Oregon Braves	6

38+ Cent4 Tuesday Results

Kansas City Knights	21
Omaha Dahl Welding	2
Des Moines Yankees	12
Denver Red Sox	15
Vancouver Hounds	8
Rochester Redwings	7
Kansas City Knights	17
Des Moines Yankees	13
Omaha Dahl Welding	3
Rochester Redwings	13
Denver Red Sox	20
Wine Country Indians	6
Vancouver Hounds	17
Wine Country Indians	2

38+ Cent5 Tuesday Results

Seattle Blues	9
Tri Valley Pirates	17
East Bay Giants	21
Denver Storm	8
Lake Arrowhead Roadkill	5
Pennsylvania Hawks	23
Seattle Blues	23
San Antonio Missions	7
Pennsylvania Hawks	6
San Antonio Missions	2
Denver Storm	7
Tri Valley Pirates	22
Lake Arrowhead Roadkill	16
East Bay Giants	17

38+ Mount1 Tuesday Results

Denver Mudhens	9
Indianapolis Cyclones	10
Quad City Blasters	11
Inland Pacific Astros	14
Fresno Phillies	8
Auburn Braves	16
Denver Mudhens	12
Fresno Phillies	8
Indianapolis Cyclones	6
Inland Pacific Astros	10
Auburn Braves	15
Sonoma County Phillies	8
Quad City Blasters	10
Sonoma County Phillies	4

38+ Mount2 Tuesday Results

Columbus Yankees	26
Chicago North Cubbies	18
Foothill Dodgers	14
East Providence Yankees	15
Tulsa Hosers	8
Santa Ynez Sox	2
Foothill Dodgers	7
Columbus Yankees	10
Chicago North Cubbies	3
East Providence Yankees	3
Santa Ynez Sox	5
N. Colorado Rockies	3
Tulsa Hosers	14
Oregon Outlaws	9

38+ Mount3 Tuesday Results

Lehigh Valley Giants	16
Griswold Diamondbacks	2
DC Cardinals	18
Louisiana Storm	8
Rhode Island Hurricanes	18
RC Diamondbacks	5
DC Cardinals	11
Lehigh Valley Giants	12
Griswold Diamondbacks	0
Tucson Yankees	21
Louisiana Storm	13
RC Diamondbacks	21
Rhode Island Hurricanes	7
Tucson Yankees	6

48+ Cent1 Tuesday Results

Dodgertown West B	9
Greenwood Ridge Dragons	0
Puget Sound Chiefs	17
Homestead Brewers	15
Atlanta Royals	11
Team America	9
Dodgertown West B	9
Austin Express	10
Puget Sound Chiefs	11
Team America	14
Greenwood Ridge Dragons	15
Homestead Brewers	10

48+ Cent2 Tuesday Results

Fog City 40's	12
Foothill Senators	4
Long Island Cubs	10
Red Deer Red Sox	4
The Chicago Cubs	16
Taos Solar Sox	13
Long Island Cubs	2
Fog City 40's	8
Red Deer Red Sox	30
Taos Solar Sox	12
US Coasters	5
The Chicago Cubs	19

48+ Cent3 Tuesday Results

Long Island Braves	6
Rhode Island Elmwood Sports	23
Philadelphia Phillies	6
Dodgertown West A	17
US Coasters	10
Sacramento Solons	17
Rhode Island Elmwood Sports	27
Sacramento Solons	5
Long Island Braves	21
Philadelphia Phillies	16
Foothill Senators	18
Dodgertown West A	10

58+ Nat'l/Amer Tuesday Results

Jersey Cardinals	5
Berry's Athletic Supply	8
N. Virginia Silver Eagles	7
Sacramento Rivercats	7
Berry's Athletic Supply	6
Terre Haute Volkers	6
San Antonio Astros	3
Jersey Cardinals	11
Chicago Skyliners	19
Terre Haute Volkers	8
Dodgertown West	5
Compadres	15
Arizona Oilmen	5
St. Thomas Tradewinds	9
New England Red Sox	1
South Dakota Rushmores	15
Philadelphia Phillies	23
Dodgertown West	3

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48+ National Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Berry's Athletic Supply	2	1	0	4	16
Sacramento Majic	2	1	0	4	20
Texas Capitols	1	3	0	2	31
Kansas City Legends	1	2	0	2	32

48+ American Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Washington DC Titans	3	0	0	6	28
South Dakota Rushmores	3	0	0	6	29
Oregon 50's	2	1	0	4	34
Indianapolis Old Stars	2	2	0	4	40
Continental Classics	1	2	0	2	34
Chicago Fire	0	3	0	0	42
Tecumseh Green Giants	0	3	0	0	49

48+ American Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Tri Valley Tigers	3	0	0	6	15
Lehigh Valley Moondogs	2	1	0	4	13
Kansas City Monarchs	2	2	0	4	28
Michigan Maroons	1	2	0	2	33
Long Island Yankees	1	2	0	2	34
St. Thomas Hurricanes	1	2	0	2	48

48+ Fed1 Tuesday Results

Baltimore Baseball Club	14
Chicago SW Suburban 50's	13
Canadians	23
Brockton A's	1
LA Athletics	19
San Diego N. County Angels	6
Hollywood Stars	21
Tri Valley Diamondbacks	8

48+ Fed2 Tuesday Results

Virginia Senators	1
Riverside Cardinals	3
Western Diamondbacks	6
San Antonio Rangers	3
Fresno Grizzlies	1
Chicago N. Cubs	22
Flint Rockies	16
So. California Yankees	11
So. California Yankees	16
Fresno Grizzlies	19
Flint Rockies	17
Arizona 50's	11

48+ Nat'l/Amer Tuesday Results

Indianapolis Old Stars	23
Chicago Fire	5
Tri Valley Tigers	12
Kansas City Monarchs	4
Kansas City Legends	7
Texas Capitols	17
Continental Classics	8
Washington DC Titans	10
Lehigh Valley Moondogs	11
Long Island Yankees	1
Oregon 50's	19
Tecumseh Green Giants	13
St. Thomas Hurricanes	11
Michigan Maroons	3
South Dakota Rushmores	15
Indianapolis Old Stars	6
Kansas City Monarchs	7
Sacramento Majic	10
Texas Capitols	6
Berry's Athletic Supply	7

48+ Federal Divison 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
LA Athletics	3	0	0	6	10
Baltimore Baseball Club	2	1	0	4	29
Brockton A's	2	1	0	4	38
Hollywood Stars	2	1	0	4	40
Canadians	1	2	0	2	25
Chicago SW Suburban 50's	1	2	0	2	26
Tri Valley Diamondbacks	1	2	0	2	29
San Diego N. County Angels	0	3	0	0	50

48+ Federal Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Flint Rockies	4	0	0	8	28
Chicago N. Cubs	2	1	0	4	5
San Antonio Rangers	2	1	0	4	12
Virginia Senators	2	1	0	4	17
Fresno Grizzlies	2	2	0	4	56
Arizona 50's	1	2	0	2	31
Riverside Cardinals	1	2	0	2	35
Western Diamondbacks	1	2	0	2	39
So. California Yankees	0	4	0	0	61

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The **Creative Writing Division** (Alliteration Conference) includes: previously mentioned *Tacoma Tugs* and *Fedlock Federals* plus *Tinsel Town Terror*, *Michigan Maroons*, and *California Cannons*.

The **AMS (American Meteorological Society) Division** would include: two teams from *Long Island*, the *Tides* and the *Storm*; two more *Storms*, *Inland Pacific* and *Southern California*; the *Flagstaff Thunder*; and three appropriately named teams from *St. Thomas (V.I.)*, the *Hurricanes*, *Tropical Waves*, and *Tradewinds*.

San Francisco has the 49ers. Philadelphia has the 76ers. Las Vegas has the 51's. Oklahoma City used to have the 89ers. All of those made historical sense. So tell me how we can have the *Oregon 50's*, the *Chicago SW Suburban 50's*, and the *Arizona 50's*. Do you really want to call attention to your age? Didn't you buy any of that stuff a few years back? You know, that stuff Rollie Fingers was peddling that made your gray hair look black. And finally, we pay tribute to the *Fog City 40's* who are playing in the over-48 division. Get your drivers' licenses ready. I feel a protest coming on.

(When he is not playing baseball, Dr. Max Utsler teaches journalism at Kansas

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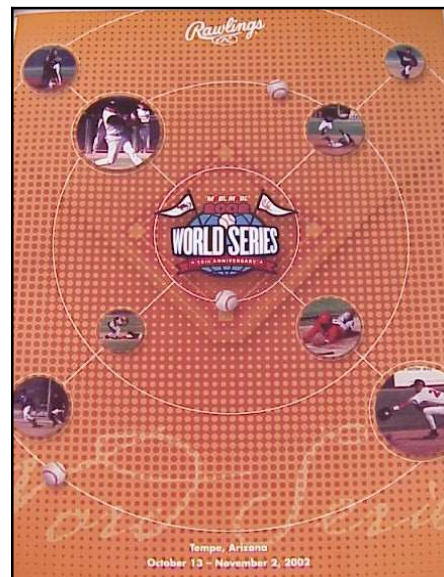
**The Sleek New WS Souvenir Program**

This year's 2002 MSBL/MABL World Series souvenir program (left) has a new look. Not as bulky as last year's issue, this year's edition includes this year's teams by division, field and map directions, photos of last year's championship teams, and a year-by-year recap of championship scores by division.

The cover includes the 2002 World Series logo, which highlights the 15 year anniversary of the MSBL World Series. In addition to the logo, the cover includes several pictures of players in various action shots through the years.

All of the photos in this year's World Series program were taken by the "official" WS photographers - Chris Denevi and CJ Jones.

Every player attending the WS receives one.





APN Videographer and Play-by-Play artist **Jeff Lowery** practices his craft, creating a souvenir for some MSBL WS participants.



Chicago Fire manager **Bart Zeller** flashes signs from the third base coach's position in the Fire's game against the Old Stars.



Indianapolis Old Stars southpaw **Wally Brant** puts some mustard into this delivery while hurling against the Chicago Fire Tuesday.



Art Hagan, of the 58+ National/American Arizona Oilmen, can't quite check his swing while batting at Tempe Diablo yesterday.



Arizona Oilmen shortstop **Gene Ekholm** prepares to gun out a batter at first during his game against the St. Thomas Tradewinds.



The top attraction at this past weekend's WS Trade Show was the Wilson exhibit, which allowed participated to take a few swings.