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New Look MSBL Trade Show Has Something For Everyone

By Rich Rosenbloom

New for the 2003 MSBL Trade Show is a dynamite RAFFLE with thousands of dollars in great prizes to give away. Top-of-the-line baseball equipment, bats, gloves, clothes, plus free air travel, hotel room nights, and individual players fees to National tournaments all have to be given away.

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Here's how it works. Every Trade Show booth will have a Raffle ticket to give you. The more booths you visit, the more tickets you get, and the more chances you have to win. All tickets have two stubs. You keep one stub. Take the other stub to the MSBL Trade Show office located on the 1st base side of Tempe Diablo Stadium, and place it in the Raffle Drawing Drum.

Drawings will be held at 9PM each night of the Trade Show. You don't have to be there to win, but you'll need to check the winning numbers posted at the MSBL Office and in the MSBL Daily Newsletter.

The 2003 Trade Show dates and times are as follows:

Thursday, October 23 from 2PM – 9PM

Friday, October 24 from 11AM – 9PM

Saturday – NO Trade Show Hours

Sunday, October 26 from 12n – 5PM

The Trade Show BBQ has a new menu: fresh-grilled burgers and franks with all the usual condiments, ice cold drinks and ice cream for dessert. BBQ hours are 5PM – 10PM on Thursday and 4PM – 8PM on Sunday.

See you at the Show!

3 New World Series Divisions Make Their Debut Today!



28+ Central Colorado Springs Explorer batter **Gordon Staab** connects with this pitch during his teams 14-9 win over the Tucson Cactus Reds yesterday afternoon on Tempe 3.

Record Temperatures Heat Up WS Action On The Field

By Tom Prendergast

Another day of 100+ degree temperatures greeted the MSBL WS players on Tuesday. The Valley of the Sun is certainly earning its reputation this year. While non-Arizonians like to use the description, "it's a dry heat" the fact of the matter is its just plain hot, period! The best thing about this "dry heat" is that its not raining. The weather man on channel 10 say's that relief is on the way, so not to worry. Hopefully he'll be right and the temperatures will drop into the 90's.

On the field the three new MSBL WS divisions make their debut today as the 38+ and 48+ wood divisions begin play. Each team will play 5 games in three days, using only wood bats, no composites allowed. Also new this year the 65+ and over division. Five teams will also play a five game schedule in three days. Last night the 65+ managers voted to play 7 inning games today as opposed to 9 inning games. They agreed to return to 9 innings on Thursday and Friday. The annual MSBL Trade Show opens at Tempe Diablo Stadium on Thursday and continues through Sunday.



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**Diary of an Aging Baseball Player**

It's All in the Name

By Max Utsler

About this time last year, I advanced a highly scientific theory about the importance of having the right name if you want to be a Major League baseball player.

I called it "Utsler's Theory of Naming Relativity." I defined it as your newborn son's odds of making it to the Major Leagues being directly correlated to the "coolness quotient" of the baby's name. Like any good scientific theory, my theory had corollaries.

Corollary #1—Espanol Es Bueno

Hispanic names just roll off your tongue. I mentioned Carlos Beltran, Javy Lopez, and Juan Encarnacion. Those names *sound* like baseball. And look at the numbers they produced. I mentioned you will be hard pressed to find a Hispanic name that doesn't sound like baseball. I did admit Felipe Utsler does not cut it nor would Benito Prendergast. It helps if you actually are Hispanic.

Corollary #2—Drop the Formality

I hypothesized (academic word for guessed) that informal works better than formal. Jeff sounds more baseball than Jeffrey. Chuck trumps Charles and Jake works better than Jacob. If possible add a "y." See Wally, Joey, and Sammy. Avoid Roman numerals. Do you think Davis Love III could ever take out a second baseman on a double play or hit an 0-2 slider?

Corollary #3—Don't Fall Into the "Boomer Trap"

I warned; beware of "yuppie" names such as Corey, Ryan, Shane, Adam, Jeremy, and Tyler. Whatever happened to Bill, John, and Jim's. Okay, maybe we did have a few too many of those, but do we have to go this far? I applauded moms and pops for largely avoiding the male version of the trendy "I" ending as in Misti, Christi, and Cindi.

Corollary #4—Last Names Matter, Too

I added this corollary while scanning the 2002 Amateur Draft list. I predicted Christopher Denorfia will never sport a major league Rockies' uniform. Don't expect Micah Shnurstein to patrol the outfield at Comiskey Park. The White Sox Gabriel Casanova may be successful at some things but baseball won't be among them. Tyler Klippenstein of Oakland will not be the man to bounce Eric Chavez from the third base bag. Lee Gwaltney will never toe the slab for the Phillies. (Author's note: One year has passed. Have you ever heard of any of these people?)

I offered further proof.

The Astros' Adam Seuss can not play ball.

Not in the fall.

Not at the mall.

No, not at all.

Not play ball.

I suggested sometimes two good names just don't fit together. Consider the plight of Stoney Stone and Koley Kolberg both of the Red Sox. They will have to buy a ticket if they ever want to get into Fenway.

I then offered the use of this column as part of my resume to begin my consultant's career. I offered my services to major league baseball teams at draft time to help them determine players with true major league possibilities. Right now they only look at things like foot speed, arm strength, and batting stroke. I will help them evaluate names. So far I have not heard the phone ring. Gentlemen, that e-mail address is emroyu@yahoo.com.

I examined the 2002 Diamondbacks draft list. I listed the draft number, the name, position and my assessment.

1. Sergio Santos, SS—the next A-Rod with even a better name.

3. Jared Doyle, LHP—probably not, see Corollary #3.

9. Klent Korley, RHP—made up names never work. (continued on page 5)

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38+ National	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Tri Valley 40's	3	1	0	6	23
So. California Blue Jays	3	1	0	6	45
Sacramento Rivercats	2	1	0	4	14
Bristol Baseball Club	2	2	0	4	45
Long Island Mets 38+	1	2	0	2	23
San Jose	1	3	0	2	35
Dallas Blue Stars	1	3	0	2	46

Better Directions To The Surprise Complex

By Brian Sigler

Jim Mallon, Director of the Surprise Sports Complex in Surprise suggested a better way to get to the Surprise Complex. Go I-10 West to 101 North. Take 101 North to Grand Ave (60 W), make a left turn. Take Grand Ave (60 W) to Bell Rd and make a left. Take Bell Rd to Ballard Ave and make a left. The Surprise Complex is located on the right hand side of the road.



28+ Federal Div 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Maine Diamond Dogs	3	0	0	6	15
San Antonio Cardinals	3	1	0	6	24
North Valley Bears	2	1	1	5	35
PAC West	2	1	1	5	41
Antelope Valley Reds	1	3	0	2	61
Fairfax Generals	1	3	0	2	64
Long Island Yankees	0	3	0	0	52

28+ Federal Div 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Chicago Reds	4	0	0	8	15
Northwest Blaze	4	0	0	8	19
Riverside Aztecs	2	2	0	4	32
Tri Valley Oaks	2	2	0	4	42
Denver Braves	1	3	0	2	28
Orange County Black Sox	1	3	0	2	31
Arizona Outlaws	1	3	0	2	39
Midwest Padres	1	3	0	2	53

28+ Federal Div 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Stanislaus Indians	4	0	0	8	16
Austin Express	3	1	0	6	22
Central Coast Waves	3	1	0	6	35
New Mexico Hurricanes	2	1	0	4	18
Terre Haute Cubs	2	2	0	4	37
Texan Rangers	2	2	0	4	55
Valley Mets	1	2	0	2	37
Pacific Coast Barracudas	0	4	0	0	44
Long Island Mets 28+	0	4	0	0	54

28+ Federal Div 4	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Chicago Tiger AA	3	0	0	6	14
Tacoma Tugs	3	1	0	6	17
LA Westside Cubs	3	1	0	6	44
Redwood Empire REBL Crush	2	2	0	4	41
Boise Tigers	1	3	0	2	51
Brazos Logistics	1	3	0	2	57
Denver Bulldogs	0	3	0	0	49

Denevi & Jones Goes Digital This Year

By Denevi and Jones Photography

Denevi & Jones Photography will be attempting to shoot team pictures of all the teams. The manager will receive a free 8x12 copy. Action appointments are limited and require a \$25 fee. D&J have gone digital so there are no albums to view this year. To see the pictures go to www.printroom.com/pro/deneviandjones and look up your gallery for your division to view your team picture. You should order from Print room online.

Prints from 1996 to 2002 will be available at the Western Bar-BQ and on Saturday and Sunday during the Championship games. They will also be available at the Trade Show. 28+ Federal, Central and 38+ National managers can pick up team pictures at the MSBL WS Souvenir Store/Wildcard (the novelty shop at Tempe Diablo Stadium) on Thursday October 23rd and or Friday October 24th. The manager must sign for the picture.

28+ Central Div 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Arizona Diamondbacks	3	1	0	6	18
Puget Sound Tigers	3	1	0	6	40
Eagle Valley Merchants	2	1	0	4	32
Albuquerque Rangers	2	2	0	4	43
Bay Area Beavers	1	2	0	2	32
Sun Valley Solar Sox	1	3	0	2	35
Tucson Old Pueblo Padres	1	3	0	2	42

28+ Central Div 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA
So. California Storm	3	0	1	7	25
Seattle Blues	3	1	0	6	29
Tri Valley Giants	2	1	1	5	34
Connecticut A's	2	2	0	4	39
Long Island Angels	1	2	0	2	34
Denver Expos	1	3	0	2	77
New Mexico Lobos	0	3	0	0	50

28+ Central Div 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA
Colorado Springs Explorers	3	0	0	6	20
Orange County Dragons	3	0	0	6	21
Malverne Angels	2	1	0	4	17
Utah Pirates	2	2	0	4	42
Tucson Cactus Rally Reds	0	4	0	0	51
Eugene Evergreens	0	4	0	0	66

28+ Central Div 4	W	L	T	Pts	RA
St. Thomas Tropical Waves	3	1	0	6	20
Des Moines Bruins	3	1	0	6	29
Kansas City Giants	3	1	0	6	30
VABL Quakes	2	2	0	4	36
N. Colorado Reds	1	2	0	2	35
Utah Buzzards	1	3	0	2	37
New Mexico Cubs	0	3	0	0	30

28+ Central Div 5	W	L	T	Pts	RA
LA Bulls	3	1	0	6	8
Omaha Titans	3	0	0	6	26
West Virginia Cardinals	2	1	0	4	5
So. California Indians	1	2	0	2	50
Las Vegas Heat	1	3	0	2	75
Santa Barbara Alley Cats	0	3	0	0	58

28+ Federal Div 1 Results 10/21

Fairfax Generals	16
Antelope Valley Reds	20
Long Island Yankees	10
Maine Diamond Dogs	19
PAC West	12
North Valley Bears	12
Antelope Valley Reds	3
San Antonio Cardinals	15
Long Island Yankees	4
Fairfax Generals	12
Maine Diamond Dogs	14
North Valley Bears	4
PAC West	5
San Antonio Cardinals	7

28+ Federal Div 2 Results 10/21

Denver Braves	4
Chicago Reds	5
Riverside Aztecs	5
Denver Braves	4
Arizona Outlaws	15
Midwest Padres	12
Midwest Padres	8
Tri Valley Oaks	9
Northwest Blaze	7
Arizona Outlaws	6
Chicago Reds	12
Orange County Black Sox	2
Northwest Blaze	12
Tri Valley Oaks	9
Orange County Black Sox	9
Riverside Aztecs	5

28+ Federal Div 3 Results 10/21

Austin Express	8
New Mexico Hurricanes	4
Pacific Coast Barracudas	18
Central Coast Waves	19
Texan Rangers	10
Long Island Mets 28+	7
Terre Haute Cubs	4
Valley Mets	10
Pacific Coast Barracudas	7
Austin Express	12
Central Coast Waves	4
Stanislaus Indians	13
Long Island Mets 28+	8
Terre Haute Cubs	14
Texan Rangers	8
Stanislaus Indians	24

28+ Federal Div 4 Results 10/21

Brazos Logistics	22
Boise Tigers	12
Chicago Tiger AA	5
Denver Bulldogs	0
Redwood Empire REBL Crush	21
LA Westside Cubs	3
Boise Tigers	5
Tacoma Tugs	13
Chicago Tiger AA	15
Brazos Logistics	12
Denver Bulldogs	9
LA Westside Cubs	13
Redwood Empire REBL Crush	2
Tacoma Tugs	18

MSBL WS HR Contest
Friday October 24th
Tempe Diablo Stadium
\$25 - Starts at 8:00pm

28+ Central Div 1 Results 10/21

Sun Valley Solar Sox	20
Tucson Old Pueblo Padres	6
Arizona Diamondbacks	4
Albuquerque Rangers	7
Bay Area Beavers	7
Eagle Valley Merchants	14
Sun Valley Solar Sox	4
Puget Sound Tigers	10
Albuquerque Rangers	2
Tucson Old Pueblo Padres	14
Bay Area Beavers	3
Arizona Diamondbacks	15
Eagle Valley Merchants	9
Puget Sound Tigers	15

28+ Central Div 2 Results 10/21

So. California Storm	17
Seattle Blues	4
Long Island Angels	17
New Mexico Lobos	4
Connecticut A's	16
Tri Valley Giants	11
So. California Storm	10
Tri Valley Giants	10
Long Island Angels	10
Denver Expos	11
New Mexico Lobos	2
Seattle Blues	19

28+ Central Div 3 Results 10/21

Malverne Angels	6
Orange County Dragons	9
Eugene Evergreens	4
Colorado Springs Explorers	18
Tucson Cactus Rally Reds	9
Colorado Springs Explorers	14
Malverne Angels	14
Eugene Evergreens	1
Utah Pirates	14
Tucson Cactus Rally Reds	8
Orange County Dragons	18
Las Vegas Heat	11
Utah Pirates	11
Omaha Titans	12

28+ Central Div 4 Results 10/21

Kansas City Giants	7
Des Moines Bruins	9
Utah Buzzards	3
St. Thomas Tropical Waves	10
Des Moines Bruins	17
VABL Quakes	11
New Mexico Cubs	6
Kansas City Giants	12
N. Colorado Reds	6
St. Thomas Tropical Waves	23
Utah Buzzards	10
VABL Quakes	8

28+ Central Div 5 Results 10/21

Las Vegas Heat	1
LA Bulls	38
So. California Indians	14
Santa Barbara Alley Cats	14
LA Bulls	0
West Virginia Cardinals	1
Omaha Titans	27
Santa Barbara Alley Cats	13
So. California Indians	2
West Virginia Cardinals	5



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Diary of an Aging Baseball Player (continued from page 2)

9. Nebasset Brown, 2B—see #9
 15. Dustin Nippert, RHP—Corollary #3 plus an unwieldy last name
 24. Matt Incinelli, RHP—I forgot to mention. Ethnic Italian names are almost as good as Hispanic ones.
 25. Bookie Gates, 2B—Can't miss prospect unless he runs afoul of Arizona gambling laws.
 31. Clint Goocher, LHP—Even being left-handed can't save a guy named Goocher.
 32. T.J. Large, RHP—Initials don't bode well for future stardom.
 33. Donta Warfield, SS—That name *sounds* fast.
 34. Kris Krise, RHP—Alliteration no big help here.
 47. Robert Ferns, RHP—As if being a 47th round pick wasn't handicap enough.

Once again, We did not hear a word from any of them, although I'm sure Matt Incinelli, Bookie Gates and Donta Warfield are just a heartbeat away. Excuse me for that lengthy introduction, but here is my analysis of the 2003 Major League Draft.

Can't Miss Prospects

Round	Team	Name	Evaluation
17	Brewers	Tommy Hawk	Why didn't Atlanta draft him?
31	Blue Jays	Joaquin Canizal	Memories of Mr. Andujar
44	Giants	John Odom	Good genes
10	Padres	Fernando Valenzuela Jr.	Better genes
2	Brewers	Anthony Gwynn	Best genes
16	Astros	Bo Edmiston	Sounds like a hard-thrower
38	Twins	Travis Metcalf	Personal bias—KU Jayhawk
24	Mariners	Kenny Falconer	More personal bias—another Jayhawk
30	Cubs	Cortez Armstrong	Sounds like a slugger
33	Red Sox	Scooter Jordan	You know what he can do
33	Angels	Ricky Bambino	No explanation needed

Some Chance

26	Dodgers	Thomas Piazza	Needs a better first name
9	Expos	Gabriel Sosa	See above
4	Tigers	Josh Rainwater	Has a certain ring to it
15	Tigers	Andy Baldwin	May consider an acting career
2	Yankees	Estee Harris	Smells like a winner
5	Indians	Juan Valdes	Imported to Miami from Colombia
4	Dodgers	Xavier Paul	First name saint/last name Pope
44	Reds	Carlyle Holliday	If he can't throw a football what makes you think he can throw a baseball?

No Chance

24	Tigers	Chris Homer	He's a pitcher!
30	Royals	Austin Pride	Sounds like an Independent League team
43	Braves	Zechry Zinicola	Alliteration seldom works. Zechry?
1	Mets	Lastings Milledge	No fiction writer could dream this one up
29	Twins	Bo Pettit	Right name, wrong sport
38	Mets	Simon Gagnon	2-minutes for high-sticking
31	Orioles	Ryan Brnardic	I'd like to buy a vowel, Pat
10	White Sox	Frazier Dizard	But could land a spot on Oprah promoting his new book
42	Blue Jays	Jeremy Knicely	Knicely guys finish last
7	Padres	Clark Girardeau	Isn't that a city in Missouri?
25	Rockies	Jordan Czarniecki	With that last name, why that first name?
1	Braves	Jason Saltalamacchia	No person with a name of 14 letters has ever played in the Major Leagues

As usual, I give a disclaimer with this column. These are only my opinions. Check back in a year or two to see if I'm right.

Yours truly,

Maxido Utslerez (Dr. Max Utsler teaches journalism at the University of Kansas)

38+ National Results 10/21

Dallas Blue Stars	9
Bristol Baseball Club	10
Long Island Mets 38+	3
Sacramento Rivercats	10
So. California Blue Jays	10
San Jose	7
Bristol Baseball Club	10
Tri Valley 40's	21
Long Island Mets 38+	12
Dallas Blue Stars	6
Sacramento Rivercats	7
San Jose	8
So. California Blue Jays	3
Tri Valley 40's	13

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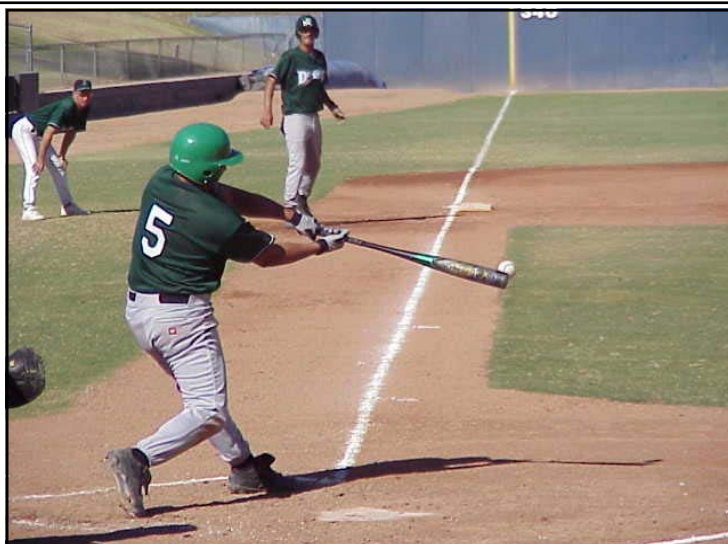
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Tempe Diablo Stadium, home to the 2002 World Champion Anaheim Angels, welcomes the Men's Senior Baseball League to AZ.



Orange County Dragons batter **Ruben Hernandez** drills this pitch into the left field corner for an rbi double against the LA Heat.



Colorado Springs pitcher **Spencer Johnson** contemplates his next pitch against Tucson while surviving the heat yesterday at Tempe.



Tucson Cactus Rally Reds base runner **JR Arviza** scores a run during his teams game against the Colorado Springs Explorers.



Dave Wallace, the West Valley Cardinals batter takes a swing at this pitch thrown by an Omaha Titans pitcher at Tempe Stadium.



Game Day Administrative Assistant, **Tina Triemert**, takes a ride "in-style" making sure that everything runs smoothly this week.