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Hal Kaiser (HOF) 1944 - 2008





MSBL / MABL World Series Remembers Hall Of Fame Umpire - Hal Kaiser

By Tom Prendergast

On June 21st, of this year longtime MSBL / MABL World Series umpire Hal Kaiser died after a lingering battle with Cardiovascular Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. He was 64 years of age and during last years WS both his health and strength were noticeably on the decline. Despite that, Hal insisted on keeping up the duties that he had done for the past 20 years of this event. By day he was an on field official, by night a WS office staff member.

In 1999 Hal received the umpire of the year award at the MSBL World Series banquet, in recognition of his dedication and exceptional qualities as an official. Six years later, Steve Sigler selected Hal for induction into the MSBL World Series Hall of Fame. Hal is the first and only WS MSBL / MABL umpire to receive this honor. He will be missed by all of us who were lucky enough to know him. Note: A trust fund has been set up for Hal's grandson, Ricky. To contribute, make your checks payable to Account # 940988593.

Attention Teams Playing Games At The Goodvear Complex

Please remind your spectators to bring their own chairs since the bleachers have not been installed next to the fields yet.





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MSBL World Series Begins Third Decade Of Play!



60+ Wood Bat National Chicago Skyliners pitcher Mike Alexander delivers the first pitch of the 2008 MSBL / MABL World Series at Tempe Diablo Stadium yesterday morning.

21st MSBL World Series Gets Underway With Perfect Weather

50+ / 60+ Wood Bat National / American / Central Divisions Start Pool Play Games By Tom Prendergast

The 2008 MSBL / MABL World Series kicked off the third decade of play for MSBL and MABL games in the Valley of the Sun, yesterday morning. 60+ WB American division teams the Chicago Skyliners and the Bothman Oaks squared off against each other at Tempe Diablo Stadium. Not unlike twenty-one years ago when we only offered two divisions (30+ / 40+), instead of the 34 we have this year.

Tempe Diablo Stadium looks a lot different and so does the surrounding area. The Buttes Hotel wasn't completed and the complex only included two other satellite fields. In all, 38 teams participated in that event, compared to 303 today. There was no internet or cell phones and tournament director Kurt Knop used a typewriter to prepare the days scores and a copier to make the 11x14 daily result sheets that he dropped off at several local hotels where the players were staying. What a difference a couple decades make. Teams this year will get their scores in real time (on the internet) via their personal communication devices and be able to access the WS Daily News on line and in color right in their hotel rooms.

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MSBL / MABL WS tournament director Tom Prendergast (right) congratulates Hal Kaiser during the awards banquet in 2005.

Before Lodging An Official Protest Check The Rules By Tom Prendergast

Hold on to that \$50 dollars a few more minutes before announcing to the umpire that you intend on making a protest. Remember that an umpire's judgment is not protestable and neither is the time limit. According to the Official Rules of Major League Baseball "Annotated",

Professional Interpretation rule 4.10 states the following: "In making a decision as to when to invoke the curfew, the umpire shall rule that an inning or half-inning starts immediately after the third out of the preceding inning is made."

Real Time Scores On The Scorebook.com Website

Once again this year the World Series staff is going to use the software developed by **Scorebook.com** to provide real time game results as soon as they are called in to the office. So 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. So don't forget to call in your scores as soon as the game is over.

21 Year Veteran Of The MSBL & MABL World Series (photo right) Longtime veteran umpire Gary Schwartz has worked every year since the tournament began in 88

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California Cardinals	2	0	0	4	6
Terre Haute Volkers	2	0	0	4	8
San Antonio Rangers	0	1	0	0	12
Detroit 60's	0	1	0	0	29
California Patriots	0	2	0	0	21
60+ WB American 1	W	L	Т	Pts	RA
Austin Express	2	0	0	4	8
Rhode Island Salty Dogs	2	0	0	4	16
Arizona Scorpions	1	1	0	2	10
Red Deer Snowbirds	1	1	0	2	13
Seattle Mariners	0	2	0	0	27
Minn Dak Twins	0	2	0	0	33
60+ WB American 2	W	L	Т	Pts	RA
San Diego Berry's	2	0	0	4	7
Chicago Skyliners	2	0	0	4	8
Bothman Oaks	1	1	0	2	9
New England Red Sox	1	1	0	2	27
San Antonio Texans	0	2	0	0	32
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New England Red Sox

Chicago Skyliners

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60+ WB American Chicago Skyliners players, **Frank DiMaria** (right) and **David Schultz** (left) in the on deck circle between innings.



Bothman Oaks batter **Lou Pattler** singles to left field with runners at the corners during yesterday's 8-7 loss to the Chicago Skyliners.



50+ WB American Texas Blue Jays batter **Rich Highduke** chops a ball of the plate during yesterdays game with the Sacramento Tribe.



60+ WB American Chicago Skyliners third baseman Barry Parker battles the sun but manages to snag this pop up for the third out.



60+ WB American Chicgao Skyliners leadoff batter **Frank DiMaria** singles to lead off the game at Tempe Diablo Stadium on Monday.



Buffalo Indians manager Ralph Proulx (right) discusses his options with pitcher Bobby Kirbis (center) and catcher Bob Pastor (left).