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John Linden (Des Moines Bruins) MSBL Lifetime Achievement Award By Steve LaMontia

John Linden is in his 20th year of playing in the Mid-Iowa MSBL located in and around Des Moines, Iowa. He is busy playing and coaching for the 18+ Aces, the 25+ Oaks, the 35+ Bulldogs and the 45+ Grays in the league and plays in the 18+ and 50+ Fall Leagues. He is also a mainstay in Arizona at the MSBL World Series and has been playing for the Des Moines Bruins in the 25-over division and the 55-over All-Star Baseball Academy for many years.

John is a busy guy who runs the Mid-Iowa MSBL league back home and for his efforts he has been inducted into this year's class of the MSBL World Series Hall of Fame.

"I have played and or managed in over 20 National MSBL tourneys in Las Vegas, Phoenix and Florida, 18 regional MSBL tourneys and over 40 MIBL tourneys over the years," said Linden. "This is my 16th year on the Mid-Iowa Men's Baseball League board and my eighth as league commissioner. My dance card is pretty full." John is also very civic minded and donated many hours and dollars to several worthwhile causes around Iowa and across the country. "This year I coached my 11th year for the Iowa Baseball Camp for the Deaf (the camp is a week-long camp for hearing impaired 7-14 year old kids) and I have also been a "buddy" for the Miracle League. The MIBL also hosted a Home Run Derby that raised funds for the Louisville Slugger Warriors."

During John's tenure as commissioner of the Mid-Iowa league they have contributed to ALS, CapCure, Louisville Slugger Warriors, Breast Cancer, American Heart Association, the Miracle League and various High School and College fields in their region.

"My wife is an eleven year Breast Cancer survivor and we just celebrated our 36th anniversary this past summer," explained Linden. "My 27 year old son Tanner is also playing on the 25+ Bruins in Arizona with me and my daughter Kristina, 23, is an active fan of my Mid-Iowa Baseball teams.

I have been blessed with great teammates and some take charge Board members over the years. Without their help, this award would not be possible."

John Linden Receives MSBL Lifetime Achievement Award



MSBL / MABL National President & Founder, **Steve Sigler** (center) presents Des Moines Bruins manager & Commissioner, **John Linden** with his MSBL Lifetime Achievement Award

45+ WB Central Division Playoffs Expanded From 6 Teams To 8

The Perils Of The Shared Batter Position And Other Non Protestable Situations

By Tom Prendergast

The MSBL National office sent out a press release announcing that the 45+ WB Central playoffs will now include 8 teams, instead of 6. A revised 45+ WB Central playoff schedule is listed on page 4. All of the 45+ and 60+ playoff games will start on Friday.

Last year, a manager in one of our older age groups suggested the concept of the "Shared Batter" position for all of the teams in their division. Basically instead of an A/B batter (in which two players alternate batting in the same spot every other at bat) the manager decides which player bats each time through the order. This week the only divisions that can use the shared position are 60+ teams. Regardless of which team uses the shared batter position (or even A/B for that matter), there is no penalty for using the wrong guy. Just like with a wrong courtesy runner, figure out the correct one and make the switch. Another example of a non-protestable violation is a team forgetting or failing to submit all of their subs to the other teams manager. At most this is a clerical error, so simply have your scorekeeper secure any additional players who are on the bench in uniform. And if you are playing in a participation division, remember that the minimum number of batters each team has to bat during the game is determined at the plate meeting when each manager submits his lineup to the umpires.



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60+ WB Mountain Division

Sacramento Tribe
DFW Phillies
St Paul Saints
Shurty's Pub Moondogs
Chicago North TSP Fire
Arkansas Diamonds
Paladin

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	1	0	8	34	800
3	1	0	6	19	750
3	2	0	6	34	600
3	2	0	6	49	600
2	3	0	4	39	400
2	3	0	4	49	400
0	5	0	0	68	000

60+ WB Central Division

San Antonio Lonestars
Portland Volcanoes
Dragons
So Cal Dodgers
Tortuga Solons
Red Deer Legends
Tri Valley Giants

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	0	0	8	20	1000
4	1	0	8	26	800
3	1	1	7	23	700
3	2	0	6	28	600
1	3	1	3	44	300
1	4	0	2	43	200
0	5	0	0	93	000

45+ WB American Division

Winberg Construction
OC Sox
Raleigh Braves
Team New Era
US Baseball

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	1	0	6	22	750
2	1	0	4	12	667
2	2	0	4	21	500
1	2	0	2	21	333
1	3	0	2	29	250

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**45+ WB Cactus Division 1**

Ventura Dodgers
So Cal Indians
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Arizona Angels
Houston Giants
Peoria Pirates
Berks Bombers
Seattle Rainiers

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
5	0	0	10	31	1000
3	1	1	7	29	700
3	2	0	6	27	600
3	2	0	6	27	600
2	2	0	4	28	500
2	3	0	4	41	400
2	3	0	4	51	400
1	4	0	2	51	200
0	4	1	1	46	100

60+ WB Cactus Division 1

Puget Sound Mariners
Mudville 9
Hollywood Stars
Arizona Pirates
Tri Valley Giants
Team America
Snowbirds

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	0	0	8	12	1000
4	1	0	8	18	800
4	1	0	8	31	800
2	3	0	4	39	400
2	3	0	4	74	400
1	4	0	2	101	200
0	5	0	0	104	000

45+ WB Cactus Division 2

Lehigh Valley Hurricanes
Great Lakes Tigers
Sacramento Bulldogs
DFW Astros
Can Am A's
Spokane Yankees
NAPA Reds
Kendall Metz
Utah Red Sox

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	1	0	8	19	800
4	1	0	8	32	800
4	1	0	8	39	800
3	2	0	6	19	600
3	2	0	6	32	600
2	3	0	4	41	400
1	4	0	2	53	200
1	4	0	2	65	200
0	4	0	0	45	000

60+ WB Cactus Division 2

Inland Angels
Western Diamondbacks
Sacramento Reds
So Cal Fire
Long Island A's
Tucson Toros
Milwaukee Rattlers

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	1	0	8	33	800
4	1	0	8	45	800
3	1	0	6	39	750
3	2	0	6	27	600
3	2	0	6	27	600
0	5	0	0	62	000
0	5	0	0	74	000

45+ WB Central Division

Utah Rockies
Chicago North TSP's
Dallas Rangers
Tri Valley Giants
Santa Rosa REBL Cardinals
California Hogs
Chicago N. Cubs 45's
Kansas City A's
Brew City Bat Panthers

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	1	0	8	31	800
4	1	0	8	33	800
4	1	0	8	34	800
3	2	0	6	19	600
3	2	0	6	38	600
1	3	0	2	29	250
1	4	0	2	42	200
1	4	0	2	48	200
1	4	0	2	46	200

25+ Mountain Division

So Cal Naturals
Westside Bandits
San Diego Athletics
The Hard Knocks
Arizona Smoke
Central Coast Cage Monkey

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
1	0	0	2	2	1000
1	0	0	2	3	1000
1	1	0	2	5	500
1	1	0	2	11	500
1	1	0	0	13	500
0	2	0	0	34	000

Online standings note: The division standings on line may not accurately show the correct standings. Head to head matchups are not reflected. The standings posted in the Daily News are official.

25+ National Division

Venice Gaze
Lake Heffner Pelicans
San Diego Knights
So Cal Snappers
New York Titans

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
2	0	0	4	6	1000
1	0	0	2	2	1000
0	1	0	0	3	000
0	1	0	0	5	000
0	1	0	0	8	000

25+ Central Division 1

Tucson Tigers
World Dirtbags
Colorado Rippers
Arizona Angels
Albuquerque Cyclones
Left Coast Lumberjacks
Chicago Cyclones
Tri Valley Giants

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
1	0	0	2	3	1000
1	0	0	2	3	1000
1	0	0	2	7	1000
1	1	0	2	7	500
1	1	0	2	23	500
1	1	0	2	28	500
0	1	0	0	6	000
0	2	0	0	34	000

45+ Central Division

Utah Rockies	9
Chicago N Cubs 45's	5
Brew City Bat Panthers	6
Kansas City A's	2
Tri Valley Giants	6
Dallas Rangers	1
Chicago North Cubs TSP's	13
California Hogs	6
Chicago North Cubs TSP's	1
Tri Valley Giants	5
Kansas City A's	10
Chicago N. Cubs 45's	0
Santa Rosa REBL Cardinals	17
Brew City Bat Panthers	9
Dallas Rangers	16
Santa Rosa REBL Cardinals	6

45+ Cactus Division 1

Indy Giants	9
Houston Giants	4
Colorado Springs Thunder	7
Peoria Pirates	6
Ventura Dodgers	12
Houston Giants	5
Colorado Springs Thunder	10
Seattle Rainers	5
So Cal Indians	7
Houston Giants	5
Peoria Pirates	18
Berks Bombers	3
So Cal Indians	12
Arizona Angels	8
Ventura Dodgers	13
Seattle Rainers	9

45+ Cactus Division 2

Kendall Metz	6
Can Am A's	4
DFW Astros	6
Lehigh Valley Redbirds	5
Great Lakes Tigers	11
Spokane Yankees	9
Sacramento Bulldogs	14
Utah Red Sox	8
Lehigh Valley Redbirds	19
Can Am A's	6
DFW Astros	10
NAPA Reds	4
Spokane Yankees	13
NAPA Reds	7
Great Lakes Tigers	13
Sacramento Bulldogs	6

60+ WB Cactus Division 1

Arizona Pirates	16
Team America	2
Hollywood Stars	20
Snowbirds	6
Mudville 9	21
Tri Valley Giants	1
Arizona Pirates	15
Snowbirds	7
Hollywood Stars	28
Team America	7
Puget Sound Mariners	25
Tri Valley Giants	4

60+ WB Cactus Division 2

Inland Angels	16
Tucson Toros	6
So Cal Fire	6
Long Island A's	5
Western Diamondbacks	23
Milwaukee Rattlers	13
Inland Angels	8
So Cal Fire	6
Long Island A's	7
Tucson Toros	4
Western Diamondbacks	16
Sacramento Reds	6

60+ WB Central Division

Dragons	8
Tortuga Salons	8
So Cal Dodgers	9
Portland Volcanoes	4
Red Deer Legends	21
Tri Valley Giants	5
So Cal Dodgers	7
Dragons	1
Portland Volcanoes	13
Tortuga Salons	4
San Antonio Lonestars	16
Tri Valley Giants	8

60+ WB Mountain Division

Lehigh Valley Moondogs	23
Arkansas Diamonds	15
Chicago North TSP Fire	9
California Tribe	7
St Paul Saints	16
Paladin	8
DFW Phillies	7
St Paul Saints	6
Arkansas Diamonds	8
Chicago North TSP Fire	5
Lehigh Valley Moondogs	14
California Tribe	7

45+ American Division

Raleigh Braves	5
Winberg Construction	2
US Baseball	8
Team New Era	3
Winberg Construction	5
OC Sox	2

25+ WB National Division

Venice Gaze	8
New York Titans	2
Lake Heffner Pelicans	3
San Diego Knights	0
Venice Gaze	5
So Cal Snappers	4

25+ WB Mountain Division

San Diego Athletics	15
CC Cage Monkeys	1
The Hard Knocks	19
CC Cage Monkeys	3
Arizona Smoke	4
San Diego Athletics	3
So Cal Naturals	8
The Hard Knocks	2
Westside Bandits	10
Arizona Smoke	3

25+ WB Central Division 1

Leftcoast Lumberjazz	21
Tri Valley Giants	2
Tucson Tigers	20
Albuquerque Cyclones	3
Chicago Rippers	26
Leftcoast Lumberjazz	7
Arizona Angels	13
Tri Valley Giants	2
Albuquerque Cyclones	6
Chicago Cyclones	3
World Dirtbags	5
Arizona Angels	3

25+ WB Central Division 3

Des Moines Bruins	8
St Thomas Waves	0
San Jose Bees	19
LA Knights	2
MSL All Stars	29
Taos Blizzard	0
Des Moines Bruins	7
Chicago Redhawks	2
MSL All Stars	13
St Thomas Waves	0
Chicago Redhawks	12
Ogden Danes	5

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25+ Central Division 2

Tulsa Rangers
Tucson Longhorns
Denver Kokopellis
Twin City Cardinals
Sacramento Generals
New Mexico Pirates

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
2	0	0	4	6	1000
1	0	0	2	5	1000
1	0	0	2	8	1000
1	1	0	2	6	500
0	2	0	0	23	000
0	2	0	0	42	000

25+ Central Division 3

MSL All Stars
Des Moines Bruins
San Jose Bees
Chicago Redhawks
Ogden Danes
LA Sea Dogs
Taos Blizzard
St Thomas Waves

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
2	0	0	4	0	1000
2	0	0	4	2	1000
1	0	0	2	2	1000
1	1	0	2	12	500
0	1	0	0	12	000
0	1	0	0	19	000
0	1	0	0	29	000
0	2	0	0	21	000

25+ WB Central Division 2

Tucson Rangers 4
Twin City Cardinals 2

Tulsa Rangers 18
New Mexico Pirates 4

Twin City Cardinals 16
Sacramento Generals 2

Denver Kokopellis 24
New Mexico Pirates 8

Tucson Longhorns 7
Sacramento Generals 5

**Revised 45+ WB Central Playoff Schedule****Friday November 4th (1st round)**

8th vs Div Winner - 9:30a Goodyear Indians 6

7th vs 2nd place - 9:30a Goodyear Reds 3

6th vs 3rd place - 9:30a Goodyear Indians 4

5th vs 4th place - 9:30a Goodyear Indians 5

Semi-Finals

4 seed vs 1 seed - 1:30p Goodyear Indians 4

3 seed vs 2 seed - 1:30p Goodyear Indians 5

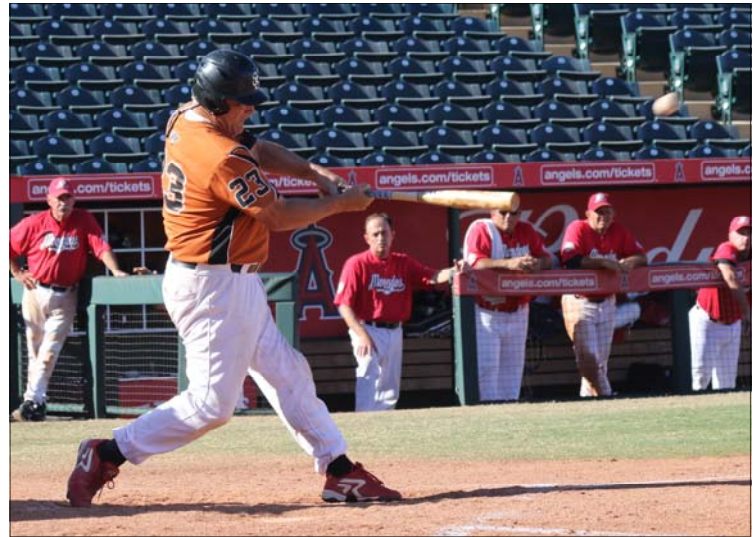
60+ WB Mountain
Lehigh Valley
Moondogs pitcher,
George Delk came
on in relief during
his teams game
with Sacramento
Tribe yesterday at
Tempe Diablo.



60+ WB Mountain St Paul Saints pitcher, **Mike Biagioli** hands the ball to manager, **Frank Hanford**, who brings in reliever, **Bob Britz**.



MSBL President and Founder, **Steve Sigler** presents St Thomas Waves manager, **Jerry Gooding** with his WS Hall of Fame plaque.



60+ WB Mountain Sacramento Tribe batter, **Lanny Ropke** sends this ball to the warning track at Tempe Diablo Stadium yesterday.



60+ WB Mountain Paladin batter / runner, **Steve Jones** steps on first as St Paul 1st baseman, **Steve O'Niell** looks for the baseball.