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Behind The Scenes At The 2016 MSBL / MABL World Series

By Tom Prendergast

Planning for the 2016 MSBL / MABL World Series started a few weeks after the 2015 MSBL / MABL WS tournament. The national office secures fields, sends out a myriad of correspondence to all prospective team managers, hotels, vendors and retailers that provide the many services that the WS tournament relies on each year. This can be a daunting and very time consuming task. In addition we have to secure approximately 150 umpires to work more than 1100 games during the three week event. The schedule process alone takes more than a month to complete. And that's just the work that goes into this event before it begins. Once we get started playing games, the WS office staff takes over and handles all areas of the event including receiving and posting game scores as well as being the communication hub of the tournament. Updating the website, our Facebook page, and our Twitter account is an on going process. In addition to that each day we publish the WS Daily News, with the previous days scores and standings along with any pertinent news about what else is going on at the tournament. On any given day, we will play between 80 and 100 games which generally begin as early as 8:30am and the last game ends around 11:00pm. So on a typical day the office opens at 7:00am and closes after midnight.

If you spent a day in the WS office you'd get a pretty good feel for what's going with the tournament as well as learn some very interesting (and at times) controversial information about the some of the teams and participants. For example, approximately every third phone call has do to with either, the courtesy runner, A/B batter protocol, the shared position, and of course, individual player exemptions. Add rain into the mix and the phones light up!

The main job of the WS staff is to keep the tournament running smoothly and without interruption. Teams come to Arizona to play baseball - that's the mission. Everything else is secondary to that goal. Protests, special MSBL rules (including Central and Cactus participation requirements), umpire egos and teams in the wrong dugout are all issues that we hear about on a regular basis. But at the end of the day, if all the games get played, then we are doing our job!

2016 MSBL / MABL World Series Comes To A Close!



25+ WB Central "Ring" Division Champions - Colorado Rippers

Championship Game Summaries Sunday, November 6th From the HardBall On-Line Staff Reporters and Editor Steve Lamontia

25+ National, AZ - SoCal Snappers 2, Lake Hefner Pelicans 0

Pete Hartmann threw a two-hit, complete-game shutout for the Snappers as the left-hander struck out four and walked one in guiding the SoCal Snappers to the 25 National title at HoHoKam Stadium. The 46-year-old kept the Pelicans off balance all game as top-seeded Lake Hefner only managed a double by Dave Newell and a single by John Tointigh. The Snappers plated two runs in the sixth off Pelican starter Brett Case when Zak Qualls and Scott Hanish opened the frame with singles and scored on a sacrifice fly and fielder's choice.

25+ Mountain, Arizona Smoke 6, LA Bandits 3

The Arizona Smoke redeemed themselves after losing to the Bandits in the championship last year. The Smoke were led by starting pitcher Garcia who pitched nine complete innings, only allowing three runs in the seventh inning. At the time, it was 4-0 and the Bandits had a close attempt for a comeback before the Smoke added three additional runs in the top of the ninth inning.

25+ Central 'Ring' Division, Colorado Rippers 9, MSL Chicago 1

The Rippers claimed their first MSBL Championship thanks to a 6-run first inning and a complete game pitching performance from Ross MacDonald at the Maryvale Baseball Complex. Eric Payan and Robert Williams had two hits apiece for the Rippers while catcher Rich Miller capped off the first inning scoring with a 2-run double as nine different players scored a run. MacDonald yielded just five hits and an unearned run, not allowing a runner past second base after the first inning. Paul Palera had a pair of hits for MSL Chicago, while Josh Kwansy pitched 4 1/3 innings of relief, retiring the first 13 batters he faced.

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**Thanks to all 317 teams who attended this years World Series
And we are looking forward to seeing you next year for our 30th Anniversary!**

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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%
5	1	0	10	39	833
4	2	0	8	46	667
4	2	0	8	35	667
3	3	0	6	54	500
3	3	0	6	43	500
2	4	0	4	65	333
0	6	0	0	76	000

60+ WB Central Division

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
5	1	0	10	30	833
5	1	0	10	32	833
4	2	0	8	28	667
3	2	1	7	28	583
2	4	0	4	47	333
1	4	1	3	55	250
0	6	0	0	110	000

45+ WB American Division

OC Sox
Team New Era
Winberg Construction
Raleigh Braves
US Baseball

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	1	1	7	28	700
3	2	0	6	28	600
3	2	0	6	28	600
2	2	1	5	28	500
1	5	0	2	55	167

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Ventura Dodgers
CO Springs Thunder
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Indy Giants
Houston Giants
Peoria Pirates
Berks Bombers
Seattle Rainiers

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
6	0	0	12	41	1000
4	2	0	8	29	700
4	2	0	8	34	700
3	2	1	7	46	583
3	3	0	6	46	500
2	4	0	4	46	333
2	4	0	4	57	333
2	4	0	4	54	333
0	5	1	1	52	83

60+ WB Cactus Division 1

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
6	0	0	12	19	1000
5	1	0	10	21	833
4	2	0	8	47	667
3	3	0	6	88	500
2	4	0	4	53	333
1	5	0	2	119	200
0	6	0	0	126	000

45+ WB Cactus Division 2

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
5	1	0	10	19	833
4	1	1	9	45	750
4	2	0	8	30	667
4	2	0	8	38	667
3	3	0	6	45	500
3	3	0	6	45	500
1	5	0	2	71	167
1	5	0	2	75	167
0	5	1	1	76	83

60+ WB Cactus Division 2

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
5	1	0	10	49	833
5	1	0	10	42	833
4	2	0	8	54	667
3	3	0	6	34	500
3	3	0	6	33	500
1	5	0	2	76	000
0	6	0	0	67	000

45+ WB Central Division

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
5	1	0	10	36	800
5	1	0	10	35	800
4	2	0	8	39	667
4	2	0	8	44	600
3	3	0	6	42	600
3	3	0	6	24	500
1	5	0	2	49	167
1	5	0	2	54	167
1	5	0	2	66	167

25+ National Division

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
4	1	0	8	12	800
3	3	0	6	47	500
2	2	1	5	14	500
2	2	1	5	21	500
1	4	0	2	22	200

25+ Mountain Division

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

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
5	0	0	10	10	1000
4	1	0	8	15	800
2	2	0	4	9	500
2	2	0	4	18	500
1	4	0	2	55	200
0	5	0	0	81	000

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25+ Central Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
Colorado Rippers	4	1	0	8	15	800
World Dirtbags	4	1	0	8	17	800
Arizona Angels	3	2	0	6	10	600
Tucson Tigers	3	2	0	6	27	600
Albuquerque Cyclones	3	2	0	6	46	600
Left Coast Lumberjacks	2	3	0	4	50	400
Chicago Cyclones	1	2	0	2	41	200
Tri Valley Giants	0	5	0	0	83	000

25+ Central Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
Denver Kokopellis	4	1	0	8	44	800
Tulsa Rangers	4	1	0	8	13	800
Tucson Longhorns	3	2	0	6	40	600
Twin City Cardinals	3	2	0	6	35	600
New Mexico Pirates	1	4	0	2	64	200
Sacramento Generals	0	5	0	0	53	000

25+ Central Division 3	W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
San Jose Bees	4	1	0	8	24	800
MSL All Stars	4	1	0	8	9	800
Des Moines Bruins	3	3	0	6	13	600
Chicago Redhawks	3	2	0	6	23	600
Ogden Danes	3	2	0	6	27	600
St Thomas Waves	2	3	0	2	34	400
LA Sea Dogs	1	4	0	2	62	000
Taos Blizzard	0	5	0	0	78	000




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Championship Game Summaries Sunday, November 6th (continued from page 1)

25+ Central 'Wind Shirt' Division, Tucson Tigers 18, Chicago Redhawks 7

Matt Christman pitched a complete game for the Tigers going nine innings and giving up seven runs (five earned) along with nine strike outs. Zack Tarbet was named the MVP of the tournament for the Tigers. Paul Warman went 3 for 4 with 3 RBI's and two doubles. For Chicago Karl Lundholm went 2 for 4 (two doubles), an RBI and one run scored.

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THE ZONE OF TEMPORAL DISTORTION



Rick Breiting: 2016 MSBL World Series, So Cal Dodgers

This year marks the 20th year since I again began playing adult baseball. Before I go any farther let me address the immediate questions that come to everyone's mind. YES - we play with a hardball and NO it isn't a beer/recreation softball league. YES - for the most part older divisions use wooden bats. NO - we don't throw that hard anymore (above 70 mph in 60+ division would be rare). YES - we do have fun.

So, lets get into my physics discourse on the Zone of Temporal Distortion (ZTD). My first inklings of this phenomenon happened while my 50+ plus team waited in the stands while a 60+ game finished up. We all thought, "Boy those guys are old and look how slow they are". Unfortunately, they is us now as we are in the 60+ division! Now, this week as two 45+ teams waited to play on the field, I couldn't help but laugh and wonder at their perception of our game.

I particularly started to notice something was happening during the past few years when I would do a bit of "scouting" and watch part of our inter division games on adjoining fields. I watched and looked for any edge but all I could see was old, slow baseball guys. I quickly surmised that it would be highly unlikely we'd lose to any of these teams. Oh was I wrong! You see, I was OUTSIDE the ZTD and could not see the true game!

I know many of our "fans" (read family and friends) can relate. To the brave that sit in the heat, sun, (and sometimes cold and rain) I truly am sorry that the ZTD does not extend to your seats. When I often tell people I play "Old Man Baseball", they, I'm sure truly understand the effects of ZTD. Thanks for being there, its great to have you there. To us within the ZTD, you are having fun and enjoying the game, HA.

Here now is the essence of the ZTD. Covering the entire grass, dirt and dugouts of the field is a huge bubble where the realities of the world are skewed. There is a hard line where the ZTD ends - - - right where any spectators might sit. The force of the zone is strongest right at home plate, but assuredly all those within the ZTD are subject to its forces.

No matter what your division age, ability of the teams or prior misconceptions, once you are within the ZTD everything seems perfectly normal. The pitcher is bringing it, guys are raking the ball and how can that guy run so fast! Maybe this is why we still love to play baseball so much. Its the same feelings we've always had, and to those of us on the field, we are running and throwing just as hard and effectively as we ever did!

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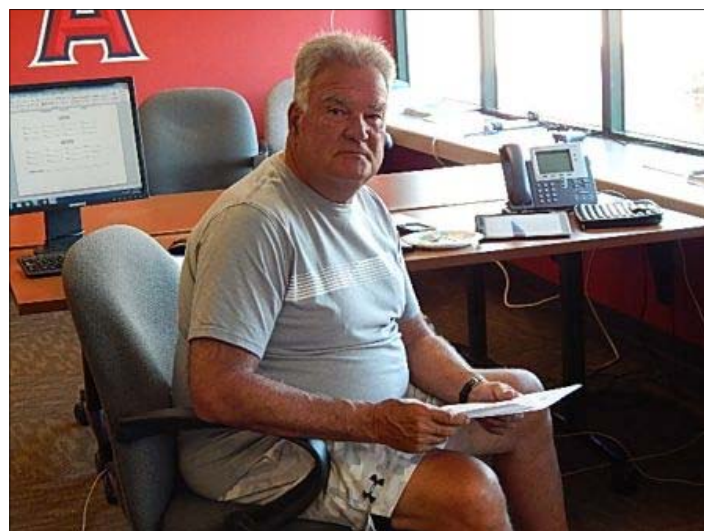
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