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MSBL WS Iron Man - 30 year Attendee - Rob Owens

By Steve LaMontia

Rob Owens is a true star. An MSBL Hollywood Star, that is. The 65 year old Owens came to the first World Series as a member of the 35-over Hollywood Stars and decided to stick around for a while. "We just kept moving up as we got older; the 50's, 55's and now the 60's. I'm sure we'll be joining the 65's in a couple of years." They finally struck gold in 2007, a year Rob remembers well. "We were always the lovable losers but in 2007 everything came together. We finally made it to the top of the heap!"



Rob was 36 in 1988 and his good friend and Stars manager, Ken Jaffe, talked him into coming to Arizona for the 'new baseball tournament.' "Ken Jaffe deserves all of the credit for my playing with the Stars for so long," said Owens. "Not only for bringing us all along on this journey but it is through his efforts because he puts it all together. He collect money, compiles waivers, etc. and Rob is also the field manager now and then. Five years ago he started managing along with Dale St. John, who has only missed one year of the 30."

Rob plays his league ball in the Los Angeles MSBL but doesn't wander too far astray playing in other tournaments during the year. "I play in the league and then go to the World Series. That's plenty for me." Rob has also had his brush with greatness while in Arizona.

This shortstop, second baseman and pitcher has also had his brush with greatness.

"Fifteen years ago we were playing against a team out of Houston," said Rob. "I was the starting pitcher and the other pitcher was JR Richard. Someone took a picture of us together in the bullpen and then we beat them! That was quite a memory."

"I want to thank Steve Sigler because MSBL has honesty and integrity and has truly been a big part of my life. Without MSBL I wouldn't have had the opportunity to keep going. In my 30's I had no idea.

Thanks, Steve, for having the vision."

Playoffs Loom Large As WS Pool Play Games Wind Down



60+ WB Central So Cal Dodgers pitcher, **Jack Sill** came on in relief yesterday during his teams game with the Chicago North TSP Fire at Tempe Diablo Stadium.

45+ / 60+ Teams Reach The Half Way Point of the WS Tournament 25+ Teams Start Today With 38 Teams In 4 Divisions

By Tom Prendergast

Over the years we've added several rules aimed at getting more players in the game and trying to implement some safety first play rules that protect the fielders. None of these are aimed at trying to give one team an advantage over the other. And during playoffs, teams in a participation division only have to bat a minimum number of 10. The A/B batter is a way for managers to get more players in the line up, while keeping some consistency to the batting order. In the event the wrong batter comes to the plate, it's treated like a batter out of turn infraction. This is not a protestable offense, just replace the batter with the correct one.

We have a couple divisions that are playing cross over games with some teams from out of their division. As a way to compensate these teams playing a higher level opponent, we are awarding 1 point to each of these teams. These points do not show up on our Pointstreak website, they are only visible on the standings page in the Daily News. And for playoffs, the website doesn't always sort the teams in the correct order, (based on our tie breakers) so the official standings are only available in the Daily News. This can be very confusing for our playoff teams, who are only looking at the website standings.



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45+ American Division

Team Victory
OC Sox
Team New Era
West Michigan A's

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	0	0	6	3	1000
3	0	0	6	12	1000
2	1	0	4	30	667
1	2	0	2	22	333

45+ Central Division

Tri Valley Giants
Utah Rockies
Northern VA Twins
Ventura Dodgers
California Hogs
Chicago North TSP's
Brew City Rangers
Santa Rosa - REBL
OC Dodgers
Lehigh Valley Hurricanes

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
2	1	0	5	24	667
2	1	0	5	32	667
2	1	0	4	13	667
1	2	0	4	16	667
1	2	0	3	15	333
1	2	0	3	17	333
1	2	0	3	20	333
1	2	0	2	40	333
0	3	0	1	28	000
0	3	0	1	29	000

60+ Mountain Division

California Tribe
San Antonio Lonestars
St Paul Saints
LA Athletics
DFW Phillies
Lehigh Valley Moondogs

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	0	0	6	12	1000
2	0	1	5	17	833
2	1	0	4	16	667
1	2	0	2	33	333
0	2	1	1	30	167
0	3	0	0	43	000

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**45+ Cactus Division 1**

Sacramento Capitols
Fresno Hardcor
Arizona Angels
Great Lakes Tigers
Conn / NM Colt 45's
Houston Giants

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	0	0	6	6	1000
3	0	0	6	9	1000
2	1	0	4	32	667
1	2	0	2	18	333
1	2	0	2	24	333
0	3	0	0	52	000

45+ Cactus Division 2

San Antonio Reds
Nor Cal Diablos
Napa Reds
Indy Giants
Spokane Yankees
So Cal Monarchs
Bay Area Giants

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	1	0	6	20	750
2	1	0	4	12	667
2	1	0	4	13	667
2	1	0	4	18	667
2	1	0	4	21	667
0	3	0	0	29	000
0	3	0	0	32	000

45+ Cactus Division 3

Peoria Pirates
Las Vegas Warriors
Can Am A's
CO Springs Thunder
Puget Sound Twins
So Cal Indians

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	0	0	6	16	1000
1	2	0	2	18	333
1	2	0	2	23	333
1	2	0	2	26	333
1	2	0	2	32	333
1	2	0	2	33	333

25+ National Division

Tampa Bombers
Arizona Smoke
Puget Sound Twins
So Cal Snappers
So Cal Reds

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
0	0	0	0	0	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000

60+ Central Division

Dragons
Chicago North TSP Fire
Red Deer Legends
Arkansas Diamonds
So Cal Dodgers
Paladin
Puget Sound Mariners

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	1	0	6	25	750
2	1	0	4	20	667
2	1	0	4	22	667
1	1	1	3	13	500
1	1	1	3	25	500
1	2	0	2	31	333
0	3	0	0	29	000

60+ Cactus Division 1

Mid South Warriors
Colorado Fossils
Sacramento Giants
Hollywood Stars
Arizona Pirates
Tri Valley Giants 1
Aussie Aces
So Cal Fire

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	0	0	6	19	1000
2	0	1	5	28	833
2	1	0	4	21	667
1	1	1	3	31	500
1	2	0	2	28	333
1	2	0	2	38	333
1	2	0	2	47	333
0	3	0	0	57	000

60+ Cactus Division 2

Red Deer Legends
Inland Angels
Colorado Stars
Milwaukee Rattlers
Long Island A's
Snowbirds
Tri Valley Giants 2

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
3	0	0	6	15	1000
2	1	0	4	4	667
2	1	0	4	8	667
2	1	0	4	19	667
2	2	0	4	23	500
0	3	0	0	32	000
0	3	0	0	77	000

25+ Mountain Division

Chicago Rippers
Dallas Orioles
San Diego Knights
MSL All Stars
So Cal Naturals
Westside Bandits
Colorado Rippers
San Diego Athletics

W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
0	0	0	0	0	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
0	0	0	0	00	000
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2011 MSBL WS -
San Diego North
President, Doug
Johnson received the
MSBL Lifetime
Achievement Award.
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45+ American Division

OC Sox	15
Brew City Rangers	6
Team Victory	10
West Michigan A's	2

45+ Cactus Division 1

Frenso Hardcor	5
Colorado Springs Thunder	1
Can Am A's	8
Conn/NM Colt 45's	2
Great Lakes Tigers	7
Las Vegas Warriors	5
San Antonio Reds	12
Bay Area Giants	5

45+ Cactus Division 2

San Antonio Reds	15
So Cal Monarchs	1
Indy Yankees	12
Spokane Yankees	4
NAPA Reds	6
Nor Cal Indians	3
San Antonio Reds	12
Bay Area Giants	5

45+ Cactus Division 3

Peoria Pirates	15
Houston Giants	10
Sacramento Capitals	16
So Cal Indians	4

45+ Mountain / Central

California Hogs	7
Chicago North TSP's	3
Ventura Dodgers	6
Brew City Rangers	5
Tri Valley Giants	14
Santa Rosa - REBL Cards	12
Utah Rockies	12
OC Dodgers	11
Northern VA Twins	14
Lehigh Valley Hurricanes	6

60+ Mountain Division

San Antonio Lonestars	11
DFW Phillies	11
St Paul Saints	12
LA Athletics	7
California Tribe	17
Lehigh Valley Moondogs	4

60+ Central Division

Arkansas Diamonds	14
Dragons	0
Chicago North TSP Fire	17
So Cal Dragons	7
Puget Sound Mariners	10
Dragons	3
Red Deer Legends	12
Paladin	7

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60+ Cactus Division 1

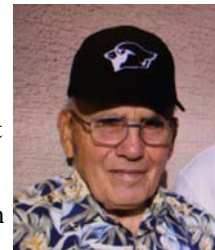
Mid South Warriors	19
Tri Valley Giants	7
Colorado Fossils	24
Aussie Aces	4
Hollywood Stars	8
Arizona Pirates	7
Mid South Warriors	23
So Cal Fire	6
Sacramento Giants	18
Tri Valley Giants	4

60+ Cactus Division 2

Inland Angels	17
Tri Valley Giants	0
Milwaukee Rattlers	7
Snowbirds	1
Red Deer Legends	14
Long Island A's	7
Colorado Stars	5
Long Island A's	0

2011 MSBL WS (continued from page 1)

Father / Son
Central Seattle
Cardinals player,
Morgan Bartlett
becomes the oldest
participant at an
MSBL WS at age
90! He played with
his son Mike.

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By Steve LaMontia

Editor's note: Alan Bishop is a 59 year old salesman from Australia who plays second base for the Aussie Aces in the 60+ Cactus division of this week's MSBL World Series. The Aces customarily make the bi-annual trek to Arizona from down under but that's not really the story here. Alan Bishop is a player who recently underwent liver transplant surgery. It is best to allow Alan to explain his ordeal and recovery in his own words as he is once again amazingly playing baseball.



"After initial diagnosis of fatty liver, early signs of Cirrhosis and subsequently cancer in June of 2012, I underwent multiple treatments of Microwave Ablation and Targeted Chemo Embolization over the ensuing four years. My tumors kept returning and new ones were identified. The tumors were on the back side of the liver, making treatments difficult due to limited access so the treatments weren't 100% successful. In March 2016 I was placed on the Organ Transplant list and in June was scheduled for a week long assessment session where I was poked and probed both physically and mentally. Three weeks later approval was granted and I was advanced to the waiting list to receive a donor organ. Being the only blood type A on the waiting list, I anticipated a 6-12 month time (continued on next column)

frame before any progress.

An appointment was scheduled to sign consents for July 20, 2016. However, I received a call on the 19th asking if I could get to the hospital within 15-20 minutes, as they may have found a liver for me.

Naturally, I hastily drove there, signed the consents and two days later was on the operating table. Following a 10-12 hour operation and two days in intensive care I was discharged, much to the amazement of the medical staff. One nurse commented that most of their patients were wheeled in and out yet I walked out of the hospital. After seven months recovery at home and multiple clinic sessions, I was approved to return to work and also return to normal activities such as gardening. Sport was granted with cautionary recommendations. In April of 2017 I returned to the baseball field and was granted approval to travel with the Aces to compete in this, my fifth, MSBL World Series. I will continue to make the trips as long as my health permits."

**2012 MSBL WS -**

For our 25th year we hosted a "live" nightly sports center type broadcast, over the internet with co hosts Joel Becker (right) and Amber Baletto (left).



25+ Central Division 1

	W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
DTB Yarddogs	0	0	0	0	0	000
Rhode Island Brewers	0	0	0	0	00	000
Seattle Ravens	0	0	0	0	00	000
Central Coast Cage Monkeys	0	0	0	0	00	000
Twin City Cardinals	0	0	0	0	00	000
Tucson Tigers	0	0	0	0	00	000
Denver Kokopellis	0	0	0	0	00	000
Tulsa Rangers	0	0	0	0	00	000
AP / C's	0	0	0	0	00	000



MVP Athletics
Vic Puglisi acted
as the executive
producer and set
up the Players

Club and constructed a studio set. His son Mike was the director and technical guy and they produced a 30 minute show every night starting at 10:00pm.



Jackie Piro gets her MSBL Hall of Fame award.

25+ Central Division 2

	W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
LA Legends	0	0	0	0	0	000
New Mexico Giants	0	0	0	0	00	000
The Hard Knocks	0	0	0	0	00	000
Tucson Longhorns	0	0	0	0	00	000
Left Coast Lumberjacks	0	0	0	0	00	000
Las Vegas Dirtbags	0	0	0	0	00	000
Sacramento Generals	0	0	0	0	00	000
Arizona Angels	0	0	0	0	00	000

25+ Cactus Division

	W	L	T	Pts	RA	W%
Albuquerque Desert Trout	0	0	0	0	0	000
Central Coast Outlaws	0	0	0	0	00	000
Chicago Cyclones	0	0	0	0	00	000
Tri Valley Giants	0	0	0	0	00	000
Taos Blizzard	0	0	0	0	00	000
Des Moines Bruins	0	0	0	0	00	000
LA Sea Dogs	0	0	0	0	00	000
San Jose Marlins	0	0	0	0	00	000
Chicago Redhawks	0	0	0	0	00	000



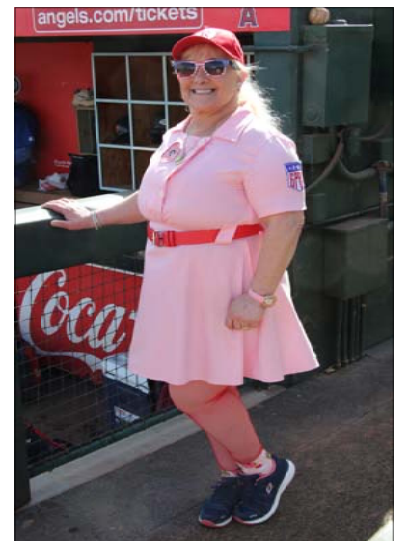
60+ WB Mountain DWF Phillies pitcher, **Richie Figueroa** delivers a pitch to the plate yesterday against the San Antonio Lonestars.



60+ WB Central Chicago N TSP Fire batter, **Spiro Roberts** came up with a key hit during his teams 12 run - 5th inning yesterday.



MSBL National President Steve Sigler (left) presents 60+ Cactus Inland Angels player / manager, **Ted Poleto** (center) with his WS Hall of Fame plaque yesterday morning at the Tempe Diablo complex.



60+ DFW Phillies fan, **Phyllis Graham** in uniform yesterday.