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Today's Playoff Game Schedule

45+ Central Championship Game

Chicago N TSP's vs Tri Valley Giants
12:45pm Tempe Diablo Stadium

45+ Cactus Division Playoffs

Semi-finals

SD North Padres vs Arizona Marlins

9:15am Fitch SE 1

Spokane Cubs vs D-Bat Angels

9:15am Fitch SE 2

45+ Cactus Championship Game

2 seed vs 1 seed

1:15pm Hohokam Stadium

45+ Cactus Consolation Game

Las Vegas Stars vs Utah Red Sox

9:30am Fitch NW 3

60+ American Championship Game

California Tribe vs RI Salty Dogs

9:00am Tempe Diablo Stadium

60+ Central Championship Game

DFW Phillies vs Dragons

9:30am Hohokam Stadium

60+ Cactus Playoffs

Semi-finals

So Cal Dodgers vs Chicago N Cubs

9:00am Riverview SE 3

Colorado Stars vs Mid South Warriors

9:00am Riverview SE 4

60+ Cactus Championship Game

2 seed vs 1 seed

1:15pm Riverview SE 3



Mark & Barb Adams

Mark Adams Back On The Field After Suffering A Heart Attack In Week 1!
Under the watchful eye of his wife, Barb Mark was back in action with the 60+ Dragons this week. Needless to say this was just an amazing and fast recovery!



31st Annual MSBL / MABL WS Concludes Today!



60+ Central Division Volcanoes batter, **Dave Christenson** send a scorching line drive up the middle during his teams playoff game against the Arkansas Diamonds at Tempe Diablo.

Absolutely Terrific Weather This Week Matched the Games On The Field

Great Competition Continued During Yesterday's Exciting Playoff Games

By Tom Prendergast

Hurricane Sergio, which greeted the players at the start of this years MSBL/MABL World Series was a distant memory yesterday as the tournament saw one of the best days weather wise in the 31 year history of the event. Plenty of sunshine, a vibrant blue sky with a few white puffy clouds and the temperature in the low 80's. Just ideal playing conditions. And the play on the field was almost as good as the weather. At the Riverview complex yesterday morning the Chicago North TSP's defeated the Texas Redbirds 4-3, in round one of the 45+ Central playoffs. At the Papago complex during a 2nd round 45+ Cactus playoff game, the Spokane Cubs held off a ninth inning challenge from the So Cal Indians, to win the game, 14-12. The Indians scored three in the bottom of the inning, as the game ended with the tying runs on second and third. But the closest contest of the day was over at the Fitch complex in the 60+ Cactus division. The So Cal Dodgers beat the Inland Angels 2-1. This game featured outstanding pitching and timely hitting. All in all a fantastic day!

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THE PITCHER'S PERSPECTIVE

By Brian Kingman

The strike zone varies according to the player's height and batting stance. Opposing pitchers used to complain that the vertical length of Rickey Henderson's strike zone was less than half what it should have been. Despite what the rulebook might say, few pitches above the batter's belt are called strikes.

How about the width of the strike zone? Since home plate is 17 inches wide, does that mean that the strike zone the 17 inches wide? A pitch is a strike if any part of the ball crosses the plate. This means that if a pitch is on the black (the very inside or very outside edge of home plate), then the strike zone is 17 inches plus the width of two baseballs—i.e.-- closer to 22 inches. So is the strike zone really 22 inches wide? Depends on the umpire and the pitcher.

Great major-league control pitchers like Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine have been known to get called strikes on pitches that were close, but clearly never crossed home plate. Their ability to be consistently around the corners of the plate earned them the benefit of dubious 'strikes'.

Another important aspect of ball and strike determination is that the strike zone is three dimensional—i.e.-- there is height, width, and depth that mirrors the shape of home plate. This aspect is most important on breaking balls, as they commonly don't follow a straight path (as fastballs do). Breaking balls often 'clip' just the front or back of home plate, and still should be called strikes. Just as good hitters have learned to hit the curveball, the better umpires have learned to properly interpret curveballs.

In the final analysis, the strike zone is whatever the umpire of the day says it is. Therefore, it is important to know individual umpire's tendencies, just as scouting reports on opponents are important. Some umpires have generous strike zones, some average, and some small. In terms of winning and losing, it really makes little difference, as long as both teams are getting the same calls.

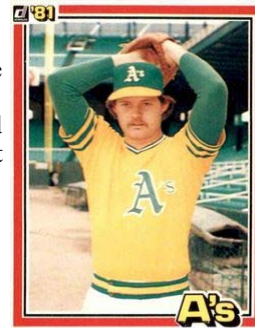
However, the various strike zones of individual umpires do have an effect on the scores of games; professional gamblers know about this, and track home plate umpires' runs per game as religiously as they do batting averages and earned run averages.

The strike zone determines a great deal more than balls and strikes. It determines who is on the offense and in who is on the defense.

Hall of Fame pitcher Don Drysdale commented: "Baseball is a game of counts. You win at 1 and 2, lose at 2 and 1, and the difference between these is often a fraction of an inch.

"The strike zone is the very heartbeat of baseball."

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BRIAN KINGMAN PITCHER

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**2019 MSBL / MABL World Series Dates****Week 1**

45+ Divisions Mon - Sat Oct 14th - 19th
60+ Divisions Mon - Sat Oct 14th - 19th
25+ Divisions Wed - Sun Oct 16th - 20th

Week 2

55+ Divisions Sat - Thur Oct 19th - 24th
65+ Divisions Sat - Fri Oct 19th - 25th
35+ Divisions Mon - Sat Oct 21st - 26th
73+ Divisions Mon - Sun Oct 21st - 27th
F&S Divisions Thur - Sun Oct 24th - 27th

Week 3

70+ Divisions Sun - Sat Oct 27th - Nov 2
40+ Divisions Mon - Sat Oct 28th - Nov 2
50+ Divisions Mon - Sat Oct 28th - Nov 2
30+ Divisions Tues - Sat Oct 29th - Nov 2

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By Tom Prendergast

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	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Tri Valley Giants	5	1	0	10	44	833	
2 Santa Rosa-REBL Cardinals	4	2	0	8	37	667	
3 Wisconsin Rangers	4	2	0	8	30	667	
4 Chicago North TSP's	3	2	1	7	46	583	
5 Texas Redbirds	3	3	0	6	33	500	
6 Paramount Pirates	3	3	0	6	34	500	
7 Utah Pirates	3	3	0	6	62	500	
8 Ventura Dodgers	2	4	0	4	46	333	
9 Evergreen Owlz	2	4	0	4	71	333	
10 San Antonio Reds	0	5	1	1	68	0.83	

45+ Cactus Division 1							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Fresno Hardcor	6	0	0	12	21	1000	
2 Lehigh Valley Hurricanes	4	2	0	8	50	667	
3 Arizona Marlins	4	2	0	8	31	667	
4 Spokane Cubs	4	2	0	8	42	667	
5 Sacramento Capitols / OC Dodgers	3	3	0	6	56	500	
6 Ft Worth Astros	3	3	0	6	57	500	
7 Las Vegas Stars	2	4	0	4	61	333	
8 Bluff City White Sox	2	4	0	4	80	333	
9 Northern VA Twins	1	5	0	2	84	167	
10 New Mexico Colt 45's	1	5	0	2	74	167	

45+ Cactus Division 2							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 So Cal Indians	4	2	0	8	51	667	
2 Indy Giants	4	2	0	8	39	667	
3 D-Bat Angels	4	2	0	8	41	667	
4 San Diego North Padres	3	3	0	6	43	500	
5 Can Am A's	3	3	0	6	51	500	
6 Puget Sound Twins	3	3	0	6	54	500	
7 Utah Red Sox	3	3	0	6	68	500	
8 Seattle Skysox	2	4	0	4	56	333	
9 Great Lakes Tigers	1	5	0	2	64	167	

Friday Playoff Game Scores

45+ Cactus Consolation Playoff Scores

Ft Worth Astros	2	Arizona Marlins	16
Sac Capitols / OC Dodger	2	D-Bat Angels	7
Puget Sound Twins	3	Spokane Cubs	10
Can Am A's	5	SD North Padres	16
San Diego North Padres	7	Fresno Hardcor	2
Spokane Cubs	14	So Cal Indians	12
D-Bat Angels	9	Indy Giants	3
Arizona Marlins	10	Lehigh Valley Hurricanes	1

45+ Cactus Consolation Semi-final Scores

Bluff City White Sox	9	Utah Red Sox	12
Las Vegas Stars	16	Seattle Skysox	9

45+ Central Division Playoff Scores

Ventura Dodgers	8	Tri Valley Giants	14
Utah Pirates	3	Santa Rosa-REBL Cards	8
Paramount Pirates	8	Wisconsin Rangers	4
Texas Redbirds	3	Chicago North TSP's	4
Paramount Pirates	3	Tri Valley Giants	10
Chicago North TSP's	7	Santa Rosa-REBL Cards	5

60+ Cactus Division Playoff Scores

Red Deer Legends	2	Puget Sound Mariners	15
Portland 59's	7	So Cal Dodgers	9
Colorado Fossils	4	Long Island Athletics	10
Sacramento Giants	22	Milwaukee Rattlers	9
Sacramento Giants	2	Chicago North Cubs	15
Long Island Athletics	9	Mid South Warriors	15
So Cal Dodgers	2	Inland Angels	1
Puget Sound Mariners	9	Colorado Stars	15

60+ Central Division Playoff Scores

Volcanoes	12	Arkansas Diamonds	11
Volcanoes	7	Dragons	13
Lehigh Valley Moondogs	3	DFW Phillies	9

60+ American Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Rhode Island Salty Dogs	5	1	0	10	41	833	
2 California Tribe	4	2	0	8	30	667	
3 LA Athletics	2	4	0	4	44	333	

60+ Central Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Dragons	4	2	0	9	53	667	
2 DFW Phillies	4	2	0	8	48	667	
3 Lehigh Valley Moondogs	3	3	0	7	51	500	
4 Volcanoes	2	4	0	5	41	333	
5 Arkansas Diamonds	2	4	0	5	53	333	
6 Paladin	1	5	0	3	56	167	

60+ Cactus Division 1							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Chicago North Cubs	6	0	0	12	23	1000	
2 Colorado Stars	5	1	0	10	20	833	
3 Puget Sound Mariners	4	1	1	9	26	750	
4 Long Island Athletics	3	2	1	7	40	583	
5 Red Deer Legends	2	4	0	4	59	333	
6 Diamond Dream Mustangs	2	4	0	4	67	333	
7 So Cal Fire	1	5	0	2	112	167	
8 Tri Valley Vets	0	6	0	0	95	0	

60+ Cactus Division 2							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Mid South Warriors	5	0	1	11	31	917	
2 Inland Angels	5	0	1	11	38	917	
3 So Cal Dodgers	4	2	0	8	35	667	
4 Milwaukee Rattlers	3	2	1	7	61	583	
5 Sacramento Giants	3	2	1	7	41	583	
6 Colorado Fossils	3	3	0	6	45	500	
7 Portland 59's	2	4	0	4	57	333	
8 Arizona Pirates	0	6	0	0	138	0	
9 Seattle Rainiers	0	6	0	0	150	0	

(*) 60+ Central team receive 1 point for losing to an American team



PS Twins, Lilly Niland - pitched in 4 games and was outstanding!



Arkansas 1st baseman, Al Wall snags a wide throw on Friday.



45+ Cactus Spokane Cubs pitcher, Bret Fink pitching at Papago.



45+ Cactus division Puget Sound Twins batter, **José Padilla** tosses the bat after hitting this ball during his game at Papago yesterday.



60+ Central Arkansas Diamonds second baseman, **Greg Price** gets ready to catch the ball and tag Volcanoes runner, **John McCormick**.



60+ Central Arkansas Diamonds catcher, **Joe Milcoun** reaches out for this pop up off the bat of Volcanoes batter, **Von Van Allen**.



45+ Cactus Sacramento Capitols batter, **Warren Alston** crushes this pitch against the D-Bat Angels during their playoff game Friday.



45+ Cactus Spokane Cubs batter, **Kelly Holm** singles up the middle to start the 5 run - sixth inning rally against the Puget Sound Twins.



60+ Central Division Dragons pitcher, **Brad Baker** delivers a pitch to the plate during his teams semi-final game against the Volcanoes.