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Ron Saslow Returns to Mound after Horrible Car Crash One Year Ago

By Steve LaMontia, MSBL / MABL Director of Communications

Editor's note: Ron Saslow returned to the mound on Monday in the 50+ Cactus division while pitching for the Chicago Pinch Hitters. They defeated the Nationals 15-9 and Ron got the victory. This was an amazing comeback from 12 broken ribs and a ruptured spleen. Ron is frankly lucky to be alive. We published the following story on the MSBL website this past December. We thought you may be interested in reading one of the great comeback stories in MSBL World Series history.



Also, a video of Ron's comeback is in the Tuesday edition of the Marucci/APN Video 'Play of the Day' as part of the Daily News mailing as displayed the website and our Facebook and Twitter pages.

On October 28th 2020 while competing for the Houston Old Stars of the 55+ Cactus division at this year's MSBL World Series, hurler Ron Saslow threw an MSBL record 12-inning complete game victory at Peoria Stadium as his Old Stars defeated the Utah Braves, 12-11. That was an amazing achievement and worthy of national recognition, as evidenced by a special plaque presented to Ron by Steve Sigler.

But 45 minutes later, events took a dramatic turn for the worse. While navigating a return trip to Tempe Diablo Stadium a truck jumped the median and crushed Ron's SUV. Ron suddenly began a fight for his life.

"The plaque will be a fun reminder of the unusual accomplishment, but more importantly, an important reminder of how fast life can change," stated Saslow. "I went from two of my favorite weeks of the year to four weeks in hospitals going through multiple surgeries fighting for my life and then trying to have my body rebuilt! Literally 45 minutes from the last pitch of the game, to a truck jumping the median and crushing my SUV a few blocks from Tempe Diablo."

As you can see from the enclosed pictures, Ron, founder and managing partner of Thirty-5 Capital in Chicago, is lucky to be alive.

"It's just crazy. (continued on page 3)

70+ Division Games Turn Up The Heat At Mid Way Point!



70+ National / American Fresno Grizzlies batter, **Manny Pachecho** gets good wood on this pitch and sends an rbi single into center field against the Sacramento 70's on Tempe 1.

Incredibly Competitive Games Highlight The Action On Day Two

Spectacular Weather Continues As Cooler Than Normal Temperatures Remain

By Tom Prendergast

Baseball players of all ages are commonly known as, "The Boys of Summer". It's a fairly routine phrase and one that pretty much characterizes a typical MSBL player. And regardless of age, most guys want to win. So once you step over the white line, the competitive juices kick in and the desire to beat the other guys is there. Actually that never goes away. Since our league started play in 1988, we've always had some special playing rules to get more players into the game.

Offensively we allow teams an unlimited number of batters in the lineup. Defensively guys can play in the field without having to bat. Our courtesy runner rule allows for a batter with a nagging injury the opportunity to hit, but not run the bases. And of course there's the A/B batter and the Shared Batting position. All of these are in place to help the manager get as many players into the game as possible, while at the same time maintaining some managerial strategies. Most of these rules were implemented years ago for our 30+ and 40+ divisions.

So it just makes sense that we would have some special rules for our 70+ / 73+ and 75+ age divisions. At the top of that list is the - no stealing rule, but runners may still take a lead. How big a lead, well it doesn't say. And consider this; if a pitcher fails to go into a stretch position, with a runner on base and pitches with a full windup, it's OK for the base runner to steal. In addition, with a 3-2 count on the batter and 2 outs, all forced runners can break (take off) as the pitcher is delivering the ball to the plate. Needless to say, some of our most experienced ball players are in these divisions and they have become very adept at using these rules to their teams advantage. And there's certainly nothing wrong with that! Just win baby - win!

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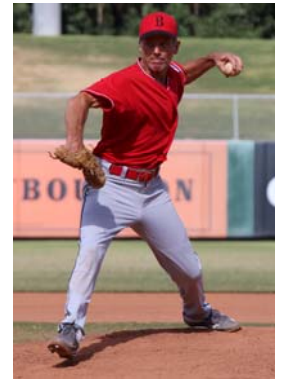
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70+ National / American							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Minnesota Bandits	2	0	1	5	25	833	
2 LA Athletics	2	0	0	4	6	1000	
3 Chicago North TSP Fire	2	0	0	4	11	1000	
4 Sacramento 70's	1	1	1	3	26	500	
5 Colorado Cardinals	0	2	0	0	23	0	
6 North County Mudcats	0	2	0	0	25	0	
7 Fresno Grizzlies	0	2	0	0	32	0	
70+ Central Division 1							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Dragons	2	0	0	4	10	1000	
2 San Antonio Broncos	2	1	0	4	26	667	
3 Oklahoma Sooners	1	0	1	3	17	750	
4 Portland Dirt	1	0	1	3	11	750	
5 Kansas City A's	1	1	0	2	8	500	
6 Lehigh Valley Moondogs	0	2	0	0	20	0	
7 Cal Vets (2)	0	3	0	0	54	0	
70+ Central Division 2							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 MBI	2	0	0	4	10	1000	
2 Tucson Toros	1	1	0	2	11	500	
3 Mudville 9	1	1	0	2	12	500	
4 Red Deer Legends	1	1	0	2	17	500	
5 Cal Vets	1	1	0	2	16	500	
6 Seattle Mariners	0	2	0	0	53	0	

50+ National Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 OC Sox	3	0	0	6	33	1000	
2 Diamond Dream Mustangs	2	1	0	4	23	667	
3 So Cal Blue Jays	1	1	1	3	23	500	
4 3n2 Rangers	1	2	0	2	21	333	
5 Aberdeen US Baseball	1	2	0	2	31	333	
6 San Antonio Bombers	0	2	1	1	32	167	
50+ Central Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Chicago North TSP's	2	1	0	4	12	667	
2 Long Island Panthers	2	1	0	4	17	667	
3 Mezcal	2	1	0	4	18	667	
4 Raleigh Braves	2	1	0	4	21	667	
5 Sacramento Bombers	2	1	0	4	21	667	
6 Caballeros	2	2	0	4	39	500	
7 Dupage Angels	1	2	0	2	27	333	
8 California Hogs	1	2	0	2	41	333	
9 Cal TV Tribute	0	3	0	0	31	0	
50+ Cactus Division 1							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Diamond Dream Mustangs	3	0	0	6	14	1000	
2 Arizona Cubs	2	1	0	4	26	667	
3 Dallas White Sox	2	1	0	4	34	667	
4 Santa Barbara Waves	1	2	0	2	26	333	
5 Madsion Blues	1	2	0	2	38	333	
6 Detroit Braves	0	3	0	0	42	0	
50+ Cactus Division 2							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Sacramento Marlins	2	1	0	4	6	667	
2 Rochester Redwings	2	1	0	4	10	667	
3 St Thomas Hurricanes	2	1	0	4	19	667	
4 Chicago Pinch Hitters	2	1	0	4	23	667	
5 So Cal Indians	1	2	0	2	12	333	
6 Nationals	0	3	0	0	44	0	
50+ Cactus Division 3							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Sonoma County Cardinals	3	0	0	6	15	1000	
2 Austin Express	3	1	0	6	28	750	
3 Utah Braves	2	1	0	4	20	667	
4 Kansas City Knights	2	1	0	4	22	667	
5 Peoria Pirates	1	2	0	2	37	333	
6 Carolina Cobras	0	3	0	0	30	0	
7 Seattle Steelheads	0	3	0	0	34	0	
50+ Desert Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Red Deer Legends	3	1	0	6	33	750	
2 NSEW Connection	2	1	0	4	21	667	
3 Connecticut Navigators	2	1	0	4	28	667	
4 Cal Vets	1	2	0	2	44	333	
5 Colorado All Stars	0	3	0	0	63	0	



Minnesota Bandits
pitcher, **Ed Klieman**
picked up the victory
over the Cardinals.



50+ National 3n2
Rangers 1st baseman
Purvis Cowens camps
under this can of corn
on Sunday afternoon.

40+ National Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Montebello Angels	2	0	0	4	2	1000	
2 So Cal Snappers	2	0	0	4	5	1000	
3 Tucson Bulls	1	1	0	2	8	500	
4 Sacramento Red Sox	1	1	0	2	10	500	
5 Cincy Braves	1	1	0	2	28	500	
6 Arizona Angels	0	2	0	0	6	0	
7 San Antonio Titans	0	2	0	0	7	0	
40+ Mountain Division							
	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %	
1 Columbus Spiders	2	0	0	4	6	1000	
2 Oakland Soldiers	2	0	0	4	6	1000	
3 Clancy's Irish	1	1	0	2	8	500	
4 San Jose Bees	1	1	0	2	10	500	
5 Houston Cyyclones	1	1	0	2	16	500	
6 Baseball BBQ Forkballers	0	2	0	0	8	0	
7 Bakersfield Heat	0	2	0	0	31	0	



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50+ National Division

So Cal Blue Jays	6
Diamond Dream Mustangs	9
3n2 Rangers	7
OC Sox	12
San Antonio Bombers	4
Aberdeen US Baseball	15

50+ Central Division

Sacramento Bombers	13
California Hogs	9
Chicago North TSP's	7
Long Island Panthers	4
Mezcal	10
Caballeros	3
Long Island Panthers	16
Caballeros	9
Raleigh Braves	9
California Hogs	15
Chicago North TSP's	4
Cal TV Tribute	2
Sacramento Bombers	1
Dupage Angels	11
Dupage Angels	10
Mezcal	15
Cal TV Tribute	4
Raleigh Braves	13

70+ National / American

LA Athletics	11
North County Mudcats	2
Sacramento 70's	10
Chicago North TSP Fire	13
Colorado Cardinals	12
Minnesota Bandits	13
Fresno Grizzlies	5
Sacramento 70's	15

70+ Central Division 1

San Antonio Broncos	5
Kansas City A's	2
Dragons	16
Lehigh Valley Moondogs	4
Cal Vets - team 2	1
San Antonio Broncos	19
Oklahoma Sooners	11
Portland Dirt	11

70+ Central Division 2

Seattle Mariners	1
Cal Vets	25
Tucson Toros	8
Mudville 9	9
MBI	15
Red Deer Legends	6

50+ Cactus Division 1

SB Waves	9
Dallas White Sox	11
Madison Blues	11
Diamond Dream Mustangs	18
Arizona Cubs	15
Detroit Braves	0

50+ Cactus Division 2

Chicago Pinch Hitters	12
St Thomas Hurricanes	5
So Cal Indians	4
Rochester Redwings	3
Nationals	0
Sacramento Marlins	17
Chicago Pinch Hitters	4
Rochester Redwings	9
St Thomas Hurricanes	12
Nationals	1
Sacramento Marlins	2
So Cal Indians	1

50+ Cactus Division 3

Austin Express	18
Seattle Steelheads	6
Utah Braves	13
Kansas City Knights	10
Carolina Cobras	8
Sonoma County Cardinals	13
Kansas City Knights	13
Seattle Steelheads	8
Utah Braves	12
Carolina Cobras	6
Sonoma County Cardinals	23
Peoria Pirates	4
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Austin Express	12

50+ Desert Division

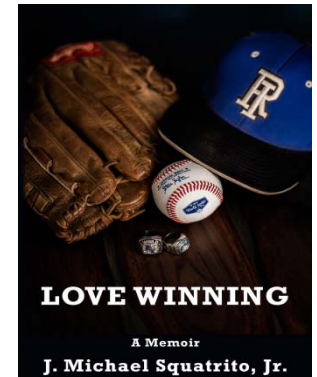
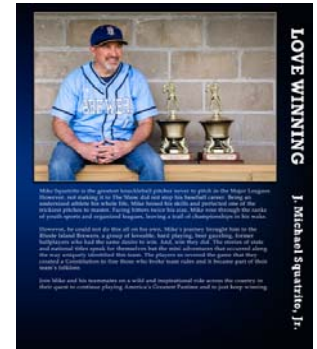
Cal Vets	16
Colorado All Stars	13
Connecticut Navigators	8
Red Deer Legends	17
Red Deer Legends	6
Cal Vets	15
NSEW Connection	8
Connecticut Navigators	9
NSEW Connection	27
Colorado All Stars	10

40+ National Division

San Antonio Titans	3
Sacramento Red Sox	4
Montebello Angels	7
Tucson Bulls	1
Cincy Braves	7
Sacramento Red Sox	4
So Cal Snappers	3
San Antonio Titans	1
Tucson Bulls	2
Arizona Angels	1
Montebello Angels	24
Cincy Braves	4
Arizona Angels	1
So Cal Snappers	4

40+ Mountain Division

Bakersfield Heat	4
Houston Cyclones	9
Baseball BBQ Forkballers	3
Oakland Soldiers	4
Clancy's Irish	9
San Jose Beez	1
Oakland Soldiers	22
Bakersfield Heat	3
San Jose Beez	4
Baseball BBQ Forkballers	1
Columbus Spiders	12
Houston Cyclones	2
Columbus Spiders	7
Clancy's Irish	4



Ron Saslow Returns to Mound after Horrible Car Crash One Year Ago *(continued from page 1)*

Luckily, the doctors in Arizona and now Chicago have fixed my 11 broken ribs, three compound fractures in my non-pitching arm, a collapsed lung and a lacerated spleen." Ron may not be here telling this story if it weren't for a very brave hero who pulled him out of his burning car. In conclusion, Ron is a fighter and will be back on the field in 2021, guaranteed.

"Thanks, Steve Sigler, for another great tournament and finally a big thanks for the plaque celebrating my 12-inning complete game. Now the rehab begins! I can't wait to shake your hand next year when I register my team. I will be back!"

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Sacramento 70's proudly display former longtime MSBL WS player jersey **Jim Hill**, who was killed in a motorcycle accident this summer



The Marucci store is open for business on the Tempe Diablo Stadium mezzanine level (down the left field line) every day 10am - 5pm.



70+ National / American Minnesota Bandits batter, **Dave Sobiech** lashes a single down the left field line against the Colorado Cards.



70+ Central San Antonio Broncos pitcher, **Elias Bazan** was lights out yesterday in his teams 19-1 win over the Cal Vets 2 team.



70+ National/American Colorado Cardinals pitcher, **Howard Elson** delivers a pitch to the plate yesterday at Tempe Diablo stadium.



MSBL / MABL World Series veteran umpires, **Scott Clark** and **Steve Pantano** between innings on Tempe #2 yesterday afternoon.