

DAILY NEWS



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THE BOYS ARE BACK!



The 80+ Sacramento Solons defeated the Canton Captains 16-0 in the championship game to finish the tournament undefeated at 4-0.

Today's Championship Games

73+ National Championship Game

MBI vs Minnesota Bruins

9:00am Tempe 1

73+ American Championship Game

St Thomas Hurricanes vs TSP Fire

9:00am Tempe 2

F/S National Championship Game

Sacramento Braves vs Rhode Island

9:00am Tempe Diablo Stadium

F/S American Championship Game

TABU vs Team Mexico

9:00am Tempe Diablo Stadium

F/S Cactus Championship Game

Waikiki BeachBoys vs Sacramento RBD

9:30am Indian School 1

F/S Desert Championship Game

Tri Valley Giants vs San Diego Titans

9:30am Indian School 2

F/S DesertZona Championship Game

Utah BSD vs Utah Agies

9:30am Indian School 3

First 4 Years Sacramento & South Dakota Teams Dominated The Finals

South Dakota Rushmores and Sacramento Vets Were Perennial Power Houses

By Tom Prendergast

In 1988, we had two divisions - 30+ National / 40+ National. The South Dakota Rushmores beat the San Jose All Stars 14-0 to win the 30+ championship and the Woodland Davis Stars beat the Sacramento Vets 12-9 to win the 40+ championship title. And for the next three years the Sacramento Vets won the 40+ championship game. So it shouldn't be a surprise that a Sacramento team is once again dominating the division. Thirty seven year later, nothing has changed. On Saturday at Tempe Diablo Stadium, the Sacramento Solons beat the Canton Captains 16-0 and in the process pounded out 14 hits while allowing just 4. Starter, Dick Fitzgerald picked up the win, going 4 innings and allowing just 3 hits. Sacramento went 4-0 for the tournament and was never behind in any game. Unconfirmed reports have some of these players arriving for the tournament this week in a Doc Brown DeLorean!

Road construction is in full swing in and around the greater Phoenix metropolitan area. And according to the ADOT website: "The reason we close roads or block off construction sites is for safety," said Robert Samour, ADOT's senior deputy state engineer for major projects. "There are many hazards in a work zone that you might not recognize if you're not familiar with the site." So in other words, these construction zones are necessary and in order to keep everybody involved in the work and on the road, please don't use your cell phone and be attentive to your surroundings and other cars on the roadway at all times - day and night. Most of all - slow down!



35+ Cactus Championship

Houston Gamblers

Minnoka Grays

80+ Division Championship

15 Sacramento Solons

12 Canton Captains

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73+ National Chicago TSP
Fire infielder, **Joe Tarka**
camps under this ball for
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35+ Cactus Semi-finals

Indy Heat	7
Minnoka Grays	11
Long Island Twins	5
Houston Gamblers	10

73+ American Semi-finals

Fresno Grizzlies	2
TSP Fire	11
Cal Vets	1
St Thomas Hurricanes	15

73+ National Semi-finals

Rhode Island Salty Dogs	1
Minnesota Bandits	7
Sacramento Solons	4
MBI	5

80+ Consolation Game

Cal Vets	8
South Dakota Rushmores	20

F/S Cactus Playoffs

Sacramento Cannons	0
Waikiki Beach Boys	11
OC Scorpions	12
Antelope Valley Dodgers	13
Kansas City A's	3
Waikiki Beach Boys	13
Sacramento Ranch Blue Dog	13
Antelope Valley Dodgers	1

F/S Central Playoffs

Charros	4
Maine Diamond Dogs	10
Modesto Thunder	17
Rhode Island Red Sox	4
Team Mexico	12
Modesto Thunder	0
TABU	5
Maine Diamond Dogs	4

F/S Desert Playoffs

Tri Valley Giants	10
Texarado Hackers	2
San Diego Titans	18
Team Guam	10

F/S National Playoffs

Arizona Wolves	6
Rhode Island Cardinals	13
San Jose Giants	0
Sacramento Braves	4

F/S Zona Playoffs

Utah Yutes	5
Santa Ynez Sox	8
The Halos	2
Heritage Baseball	13
Utah Aggies	15
Santa Ynez Sox	4
Utah BSD	3
Heritage Baseball	1

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2024 MSBL World Series Hall of Fame Inductee: Ben Cabanas, Tri-Valley (CA) MSBL

By Steve LaMontia, Director of Communications

Ben Cabanas has been a part of the MSBL landscape since 1988 when he became a member of the inaugural San Jose MSBL affiliate. He also decided to dive into the MSBL World Series competition back in 1990. "I didn't return to Arizona for the World Series until 2003 and have played every year since then," said Cabanas. "My first year playing Father/Son was in 2004 on Don DeCordova's team. After several years, the team had too many players, so I spun off my own team. I have brought the Tri-Valley Giants Father/Son team every year since 2008 to the World Series. Also, since 2016 I have managed a Father/Son team in the Val Lewis Father/Son Father's Day Tourney in Sacramento." The 74-year-old Cabanas has been emersed into the MSBL world in both league play and tournament play for nearly as long as there has been a Men's Senior Baseball League. For Ben's dedication and involvement all these years, MSBL Founder and President Steve Sigler has inducted Ben into the 2024 class of the MSBL World Series Hall of Fame. "I feel very humbled to be recognized for my participation and contributions to MSBL since 1988. When I started in the league, the only age division was 30 and I didn't expect to play much longer. As part of the baby boomer generation, we have been leading the way to the development of older age divisions. There is now an 80 division that hopefully I can hang on to play in."

Ben remains a software engineer who resides in El Dorado Hills, California, with his wife Becky.

Together, the family now consists of four kids and seven grandkids.

On the field, Ben plays everywhere except catcher. "The past couple of seasons (continued on page 3)

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The 35+ Cactus Division Houston Gamblers defeated the Minnoka Grays 15-12, in a come from behind win yesterday at Tempe Diablo.

35+ Cactus Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Minnoka Grays	6	0	0	12	23	1000
2 Arizona Heat	5	1	0	10	36	833
3 Houston Gamblers	4	2	0	8	30	667
4 Sonoma County Rebels	3	3	0	7	40	500
5 Minnesota Bruins	3	3	0	6	36	500
6 Tucson White Sox	2	4	0	4	40	333
7 LA Charros	2	4	0	4	48	333
8 Chicago Cyclones	2	4	0	4	67	333
9 Nuevo Mexico Conquistadores	0	6	0	0	81	0

35+ Cactus Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Minnesota Mammoth	5	1	0	10	36	833
2 So Cal Monarchs	4	2	0	8	32	667
3 Long Island Twins	4	2	0	8	40	667
4 Indy Heat	4	2	0	8	40	667
5 Utah Blues	3	3	0	6	40	500
6 Seattle Ravens	3	3	0	6	45	500
7 Oakland Oaks	2	4	0	4	61	333
8 San Antonio River Bums	1	5	0	2	47	167
9 San Diego N County Brewers	1	5	0	2	75	167

73+ National / Central Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Minnesota Bandits	5	0	0	10	20	1000
2 MBI	4	1	0	8	26	800
3 Sacramento Solons	4	1	0	8	30	800
4 Rhode Island Salty Dogs	3	1	1	7	36	700
5 TSP Fire	2	2	1	5	55	500
6 St Thomas Hurricanes	2	3	0	4	47	500
7 Cal Vets	2	3	0	4	76	400
8 Fresno Grizzlies	1	4	0	2	67	200
9 Red Deer Legends	1	4	0	2	72	200
10 PSSBL Aqua Sox	0	5	0	0	135	0

80+ National Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Sacramento Solons	3	0	0	4	14	1000
2 Canton Captains	2	1	0	4	37	667
3 South Dakota Rushmores	1	2	0	2	32	333
4 Cal Vets	0	3	0	0	63	0

75+ National Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Mudville 9	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Sacramento Solons	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 USA Volkers	0	0	0	0	0	0

75+ American Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Arizona Storm	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Cal Vets	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 OKC Dodgers	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 PSSBL Aqua Sox	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Red Deer Legends	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Rhode Island / Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Rhode Island Salty Dogs	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 San Antonio Rangers	0	0	0	0	0	0

F/S National Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Rhode Island Cardinals	4	0	0	8	13	1000
2 Sacramento Braves	3	1	0	6	22	750
3 San Jose Giants	2	2	0	5	31	500
4 Arizona Wolves	2	2	0	4	42	500
5 3n2 Rangers	1	3	0	2	37	250
6 Sacramento Dirtbags	0	4	0	0	34	0

F/S Central Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Team Mexico	4	0	0	8	5	1000
2 Maine Diamond Dogs	3	1	0	6	27	750
3 Modesto Thunder	2	2	0	4	27	500
4 Pro Bat Yankees	1	3	0	2	47	250
5 Cal Tex Reds	0	4	0	0	43	0

F/S Central Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 TABU	4	0	0	8	13	1000
2 Rhode Island Red Sox	2	2	0	4	33	500
3 Charros	2	2	0	4	29	500
4 Sask Trappers	1	3	0	2	49	250
5 Terre Haute Volkers	1	3	0	2	35	250

F/S Cactus Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Sacramento Ranch Blue Dogs	4	0	0	8	22	1000
2 Waikiki Beach Boys	3	1	0	6	29	750
3 Colorado Norseman	1	3	0	2	47	250
4 Albuquerque Pirates	1	3	0	2	50	250
5 CaliConn Silverbacks	1	3	0	2	53	250

F/S Cactus Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Kansas City A's	4	0	0	8	17	1000
2 Antelope Valley Dodgers	3	1	0	6	17	750
3 Sacramento Cannons	3	1	0	6	21	750
4 OC Scorpions	2	2	0	4	29	500
5 Hammerheads	0	4	0	0	38	0
6 Chicago White Sox	0	4	0	0	45	0

F/S Desert Division	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Texarado Hackers	3	1	0	6	37	750
2 Team Guam	3	1	0	6	48	750
3 San Diego Titans	2	1	1	5	28	625
4 Tri Valley Giants	2	2	0	4	38	500
5 Las Vegas	2	2	0	4	40	500
6 Colorado Springs Bigfoot	1	3	0	2	52	250
7 Chicago North TSP's	0	3	1	1	52	125

F/S Zona Division 1	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Utah BSD	4	0	0	8	26	1000
2 Santa Ynez Sox	2	2	0	4	28	500
3 The Halos	1	3	0	2	60	250
4 Seattle Crawdads	1	3	0	2	48	250

F/S Zona Division 2	W	L	T	Pts	RA	Win %
1 Utah Aggies	4	0	0	8	16	1000
2 Utah Yutes	2	2	0	4	28	500
3 Heritage Baseball	2	2	0	4	38	500
4 Underhill Mavericks	0	4	0	0	51	0

NO METAL SPIKES ALLOWED AT LEGACY PARK TURF FIELDS
Heads up - if your team has a game on one of the turf fields at Legacy Park. No metal spikes can be worn on the turf.

All MSBL players must have a government issued ID - with a photo to participate in the 2024 MSBL World Series. And they must have it with them during all games. Failure to produce this ID on demand, will result in an immediate forfeit of the game

No alcohol or tobacco products are allowed before - during or after the game at any MSBL WS locations or stadiums!



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I have mainly played third, pitched, and roamed the outfield." That area of California is packed with MSBL leagues and there is a lot of crossover. "I play in the Tri-Valley 68 division for the Expos. I also play in Sacramento in the 68 division for the Rangers and in Redwood Empire in the 65 division for the Pioneers. In the San Francisco Bay Area, there are five leagues within about a 70-mile radius so it's not uncommon to play in multiple leagues. I know some players that play in four leagues and multiple age divisions within the league!" Ben's baseball path weaves through a familiar path to many of us. We'll let Ben explain. "I played baseball through high school and thought about playing in college, but it didn't work out. So, I ended up playing softball for about 20 years before getting back to baseball in 1988. (San Jose MSBL) Although I enjoyed playing softball, around the time MSBL started I was already thinking about getting back to playing baseball. A couple of years later I saw an ad in the local newspaper for a new over 30-over league forming, which turned out to be the San Jose MSBL "Steve Sigler for starting MSBL. Val Lewis for starting the Father/Son division. My wife Becky for being so supportive through the entire journey and in some cases going beyond the call of duty. "I've been very fortunate to be part of the MSBL."

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80+ Division Sacramento Solons pitcher, **Irv Scott** - pitched 3 solid innings of relief work and allowed just two hits on Saturday.



35+ Cactus Division Houston Gamblers leadoff batter, **Nelson Vance** executes the perfect sacrifice bunt in yesterdays game.



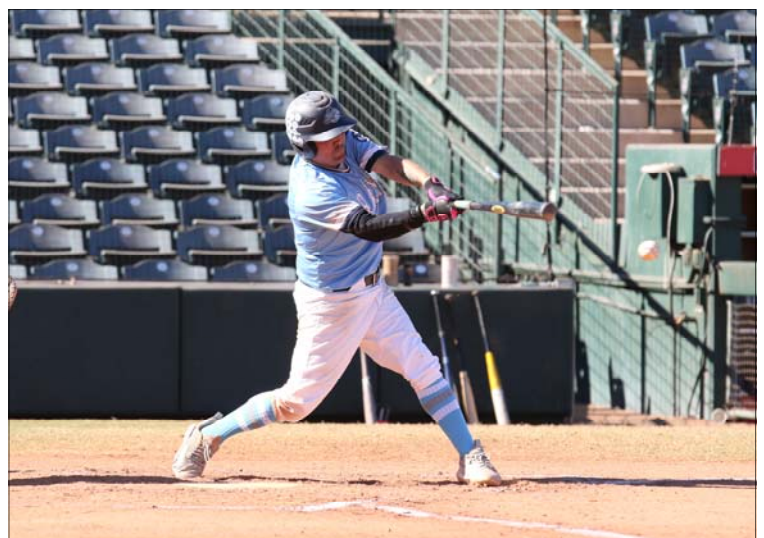
35+ Cactus Division Long Island Twins pitcher, **Lou Alvarado** brings the heat during his teams playoff game on Saturday.



35+ Indy Heat catcher, **Zach Kreeger** (who caught all 9 games this week) waits for the throw to tag Grays base runner, **Joey Olson**.



35+ Cactus Division Houston Gamblers batter, **Brian Spottsville** singles up the middle against the Minnoka Grays Saturday afternoon



35+ Cactus Minnoka Grays batter, **Mark Von Ruden** connects with ball and singles through the left side at Tempe Diablo Stadium.