

The Sports Page



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Jets, George Pierce, 10/06/11, 9:00pm

A week ago the **Jets** played **American Ale House**, the team that won the Gwinnett County tournament in the Spring. Thursday we played a team called the **Lookouts**, who had beaten **American Ale House** a couple of weeks ago by a score of 15-1.

Once we saw the *Lookouts*, we realized they were *Shake & Bake*, a very good team of young guys who had beaten the *Jets* in Spring 2011, 18-6, the *Dirty Dozen* in Spring PST 2011, 24-9, and *Motörhead* twice in Summer 2011 by scores of 12-10 and 17-5. They had ditched the black, screen printed *Shake & Bake* shirts for eye popping, multi colored rubber shirts with *Lookouts* all over the fronts, but we recognized the guys inside.

The **Ale House** game had been a loss, but it was a game we should have won and one that now stuck in our craws, toughening us and making us a little meaner. With that backdrop in mind, we faced the team who'd waffled the County champs.

We were Home against the *Lookouts* and hit the field for some nice defense, but allowed one run. We answered with a bagel in the bottom of the first. The *Lookouts* had the bagel in the top of two and in the bottom half we started off with a single and a double then "Odd" **Thomas Caffrey** stroked a base hit and the game was tied 1-1. A fly-out let a second run score, but a ground-out and fly-out followed that out and the second inning was over and we had a 2-1 lead.

The **Jets** and **Lookouts** threw donuts at each other in the third inning, but in the top of the fourth the **Lookouts** came up with a deuce and now led 3-2. We answered quickly when we began the back half of the fourth with a pair of singles and **Jawsh Franklin** "Mint" bashed one over the CF fence and his three-run homer lifted us past the **Lookouts**, 5-3! A single followed Jawsh's clout, but back-to-back fielder's-choices gave us two down. A single sparked us back to life and another plated a run to make it 6-3. A third straight base hit came next, but a third fielder's-choice ended the fourth inning.

The *Lookouts* had been getting rattled and began to show some signs of cracking in that fourth inning. The dang umpire was calling pitches wrong, ya know. The *Jets* were also playing amazing "D" and keeping the *Lookouts* from piling up runs, while we had been able to string some hits together. Of course, it was the home plate umpire's fault. To be honest, the umpire was allowing a very, very high arc. Our pitcher adapted and kept slinging them ever higher, while his opposite number began chirping and complaining and losing his cool to the point where his teammates started cussing and fussing and were warned about ejection.

The **Lookouts** batted in the top of the fifth, their righteous anger simmering just below the boiling point. (They actually reminded me a little of **Motörhead** when we melted down against the **Rebels** the day before.) It's hard for a team to concentrating on hitting when they're out of focus and grumbling at each other and the umpires. The **Lookouts** had a donut in the fifth. We quickly put the first three **Jets** on base on singles in the bottom of five. One of them scored on a fielder's-choice and another scored on a fly-out. Another single followed, but a fielder's-choice ended the fifth and we'd extended our lead to 8-3.

The *Loo kouts* had settled down some in the sixth, but they still couldn't dent our defense for more than one run, 8-4. In the last of the sixth we kept on hitting like we had in the last couple of innings. We quickly loaded the bases again, going single, single, walk, then two men scored on a fielder's-choice and we led 10-4. Two singles plated two more, 12-4, and a double put two more *Jets* in scoring position. The *Lookouts* intentionally walked the next guy with first base open and they were hoping for a double-play with the run rule looming. The next guy singled for a run, 13-4, and another guy scored on a ground-out and we won the game, by run rule, 14-4!

Run rule	_1_	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Lookouts	1	0	0	2	0	1	-	4
Jets	0	2	0	4	2	6	-	14

The **Jets** played a great game in all phases and I congratulate you! We played hellacious defense and hit like crazy, but the biggest thing I noticed was that we really, really did it as a team. Only two guys made the TSP for driving in the first run and hitting a homer. Other than that, it was just clutch hit after clutch hit. We had eleven guys make only one out apiece and the three guys who made more than one out drove in five of our runs. The game had a distinctly blue color feel, where everybody punched the clock and got to work. We got the first three men on base in five of the six innings we played and were able to score four runs on outs. We kept our cool and dug in and beat a very, very good team. Great game, **Jets**!

Nobody batted 1.000.

The winner of the McCoy Softball challenge will receive a cake like the one below. (I've made a few of them and they're good!!) When a player emails the right answer, he and his team will share the Pitty Pat Cake show below after a ball game.

Based on responses so far, here's a list of what it's NOT:

- Games missed
- Out of state players
- Numbers of years played
- Stats that come from batting
- Stats that come from base running
- Coed games played
- Birthdates
- Jersey Numbers
- Player's ages

Clues you already know:

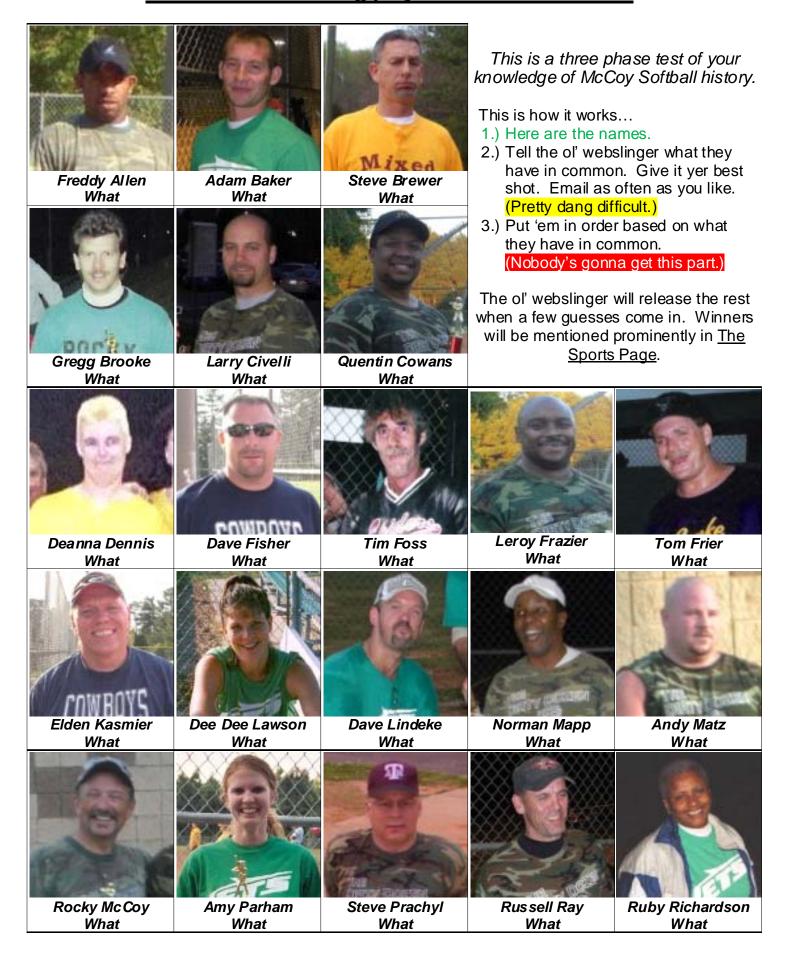
- There are 21 of them
- They've played on multiple teams
- It's a mix of older and newer players from the 20 year history of McCoy Softball

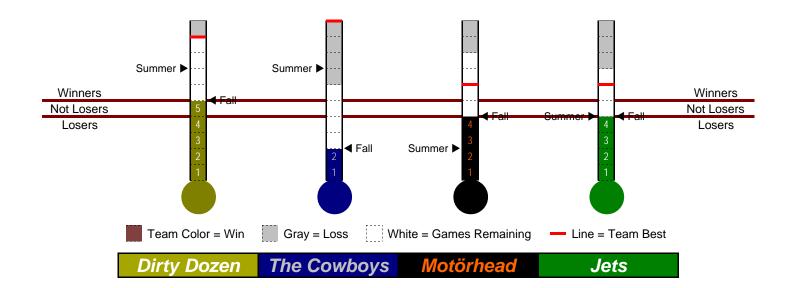
New clues from the ol' webslinger

- Each of the 21 leads in the same thing
- Freddy Allen will most likely be replaced eventually
- A.Matz, A.Baker and D.Fisher may be replaced soon
- Go to http://www.mccoysoftball.com/Stats/2011/, page down and pick "Mystery"



What do the following players have in common?





Rain Numbers for Each Park				
Bethesda	Bethesda	Bethesda	G.Pierce	
(770) 822-8882	(770) 822-8882	(770) 822-8882	(770) 822-8882	

"When in doubt, come on out."

Each edition of The Sport Page is a snapshot in time and as such will not update automatically, like other sheets on the website. Each TSP shows only what the schedule looked like when it was published. Always check the MegaSchedule or the Stats sheets for the most current scheduling.

10/10/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 Monday DΖ 6:30 - 9V vs. Get Dirty 10/11/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 **Tuesday** CB 7:30 - 8H vs. White T's 10/12/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 Wednesday MH 8:30 - 1V vs. A-Team Thursday 10/13/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011 JM 7:00 - 1V vs. The Firm 10/17/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 Monday DZ 8:30 - 8H vs. DUCK! **Tuesday** 10/18/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 CB 8:30 - 8V vs. The Big Squeeze 10/19/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 MH 7:30 - 1V vs. KMM/Walda 10/20/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011 Thursday JM 8:00 - 2H vs. Controlled Substances 10/24/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011 Monday DZ 6:30 - 9V vs. Cricket Brew Crew DZ 7:30 - 8H vs. Twisted Tavern **Tuesday** 10/25/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011

CB 8:30 - 8H vs. Motley Crew

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Wednesday 10/26/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
    MH 6:30 - 1V vs. GranQuartz
             10/27/11 at George Pierce - Fall 2011
    JM 7:00 - 2H vs. Suwanee Dental Care
             10/31/11 at Halloween - Fall 2011
Monday
                        Off Day - No Games
    DΖ
Tuesday
              11/1/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
    CB 8:30 - 8V vs. Goobo's
Wednesday
              11/2/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
        8:30 - 1V vs. Suwanee Dental Care
              11/3/11 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2011
Thursday
    JM ?:?? ?? vs. Rain Makeup
              11/7/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
Monday
    DZ ?:?? ?? vs. Rain Makeup
Tuesday
              11/8/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
    CB ?:?? ?? vs. Rain Makeup
             11/9/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
Wednesday
    MH ?:?? ? vs. Rain Makeup
             11/10/11 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2011
    JM ?:?? ?? vs. Rain Makeup
Monday
             11/14/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
              ?? vs. Rain Makeup
             11/15/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
Tuesday
    CB ?:?? ?? vs. Rain Makeup
             11/16/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2011
    MH ?:?? ? vs. Rain Makeup
             11/17/11 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2011
    JM ?:?? ?? vs. Rain Makeup
             11/21/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Winter 2011
Monday
    DZ ?:??
                8? vs. Opening Day
             11/22/11 at George Pierce Park - Winter 2011
    JM ?:??
                1? vs. Opening Day
             11/28/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Winter 2011
Monday
    DZ ?:??
              8? vs. TBD
Tuesday
             11/29/11 at George Pierce Park - Winter 2011
    JM
              1? vs. TBD
              12/5/11 at Bethesda Community Park - Winter 2011
Monday
                8? vs. TBD
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              12/6/11 at George Pierce Park - Winter 2011
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JM ?:?? 1? vs. TBD

Standings & Scouting Reports - Fall 2011

Bold Italics = Our team. Normal Brown Italics = Our next opponent, PST = Post Season Tournament. TBD = To Be Determined. Asterisks after an opponent's name represent how many times we play that opponent if we play them more than once. A team in "< >" is a team we do not play during the season. The far right column shows our overall record against that opponent.

Monday - Bethesda Men's - No Homers, No St No Summer PST	overall record	
Dirty Dozen	5-1	n/a
Bubba's	5-1	2-0
The Dead Lois's	4-1	17-12
Twisted Tavern	4-2	0-0
Reds	4-3	5-1
	3-2	11-12 🗲
ĎUCK!	3-4	7-0
A Cricket Brew Crew **	2-4	5-1
The Tribe - Ali	0-6	2-0
Sons of Pitches	0-6	2-0

The **Dirty Dozen** play **Get Dirty** next. **Get Dirty** is having a rough season. They are 3-2 and would like nothing better than to knock us off the top spot.

Our win over Bubba's and The Dead Lois's loss to Twisted Tavern now had three team with only one loss. Since we lost to *The Dead Lois's*, they own the tiebreaker, so they have an edge over us.

We have Get Dirty, DUCK! and Cricket Brew Crew, then a 4-2 Twisted Tavern to finish up Fall 2011. The Dead Lois's have five to go and still have to face Get Dirty, the Reds and Bubba's. Bubba's faces The Dead Lois's and Get Dirty their last two games of the season.

Keep hitting the ball, guys!

Wednesday - George Pierce Men's - Equalizer, No Steals No Summer PST		
4-2	1-0	2,7
4-2	0-0	
4-2	0-2	-
3-3	1-0	0 0
3-3	1-0	
0-6	1-0 ←	
	4-2 4-2 4-2 3-3 3-3	overall record 4-2

Motorhead plays the **A-Team** next. We've only met this team once and we won 17-6 earlier this season.

They are a green team, but we can't afford to let down against them because we're in a dog fight for First Place.

We need to stop focusing on what the other team is doing or seemingly doing and focus on what we can do. We need to stop complaining about bats, complaining about calls and complaining about each other's defense beat anybody in the division if we want to. and thinking about our hitting and fielding and base running.

In other words we need to quit out bitching and play ball like we did during that four game winning streak.

Tuesday - Bethesda Men's - No Homers, No St No Summer PST	overall record		
Goobo's **	6-0	1-1	9
Hooters Outkast **	5-1	1-5	9
White T's **	3-3	2-1	= ki
Motley Crew **	2-4	2-1	900
The Cowboys	2-4	0-0	
The Big Squeeze **	0-6	1-0	
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The Cowboys play the White T's next. We waffled this team in Summer 2011, but we lost to them a few weeks ago in Fall 2011.

We can beat them this time, but it's going to take at least double digits on the board to do it. Hit the ball, guys!

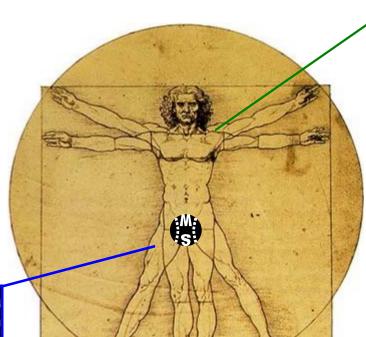
Thursday - George Pier Men's - Equalizer, No Ste No Summer PST	overall record	
American Ale House	6-1	0-1
Finish Line Tire & Auto	5-2	2-3
Lookouts	5-2	1-1
Suwanee Dental Care	5-2	1-3
Jets	4-3	0-0
The Tribe - Darr **	4-3	2-0
The Firm	3-4	0-0 ←
Steel Panthers	2-5	0-7
Controlled Substances	1-6	0-0
Scrubs	0-7	1-0

The Jets play The Firm next. They won the Summer 2011 league, but have since fallen on hard times, judging by their 3-4 record. The **Jets** are 4-3 and I fully expect us to be 5-3 the *The Firm* to be 3-5 when the game is over.

The Lookouts game was a good win, but it's over now and we'll be facing another solid team next.

Keep play well and stay mentally tough, **Jets**. We can

The DL



Keith James injured his shoulder and had to drop Jets for Fall 2011.

Hang in there, #99!



Norman S. Mapp, Jr. blew a quad muscle and has missed a second week, but is day-to-day.

Hurry back, #10!



Eric Wesner rolled his right ankle sliding into third base on 7/12. He fractured his tibia (shin bone) in a couple of places down around the ankle joint and injured a ligament, too.

He had surgery on 7/18 to stabilize his ankle with screws and will be out the rest of the year.

See ya in Spring 2012, #8!

Birthdays & Batting Titlists

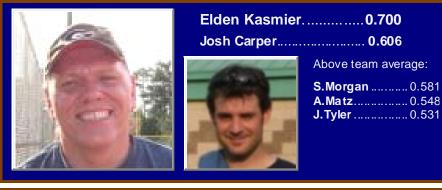
September Birthdays

Crider, Robbie	9/2
Barker, Chris	9/3
Locke, Dave	9/5
Maldonado, Tim	9/6
Parham, Amy	9/7
Butler, Cameron	9/8
James, Keith	9/8
Morris, Rod	9/10
DeMartino, Darren	9/11
Haynes, Ken	9/11
Martin, David	9/11
Goodman, Nancie	9/12
Heuer, Jenny	9/14
Price, Parrish	9/16
Gardo, Don	9/18
Bauer, Darrell	9/25
Beal, John	9/26
Joyce, Caron	9/26
Stafford, Carla	9/27
Bessette, Bryce	9/28
Crider, Zack	9/28
Russell, Dimario	9/28

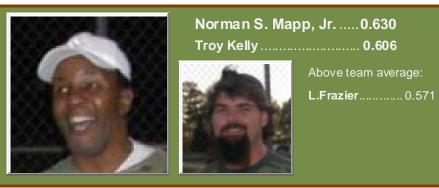
October Birthdays

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Rogers, Jason	10/1
Shreve, Steve	10/2
Norton, Dawn	10/4
Binder, Dean	10/5
McCord, Kylie	10/5
Nguyen, Diep	10/5
Brumley, Denise	10/6
Wheeler, Dena	10/8
Herman, Matt	10/9
Ahmed, Ammar	10/11
Sugas, Steven	10/11
Shea. Sheryl	10/14
Spivey, Heather	10/17
Zienko, Laurie	10/17
Jones, Waylon	10/23
Lewandowski, Marty	10/24
Lyles, Cindy	10/24
Nations, Mark	10/24
LeCroy, Steven	10/25
Ellis, Debbie	10/26
Prachyl, Steve	10/26
Conklin, Ryan	10/27
Johnson, Don	10/27
Sharp, Mike	10/28
Ottinger, Jason	10/30
Payne, David	10/30
Allen, Sherri	10/31
Butler, Catherine	10/31
Quigley, Logan	10/31
Wright, Bobby	10/31

Summer 2011









Attached is the first page of the ASA webpage concerning Illegal Softball bats. Make sure your bat has the proper stamp. If you're not sure, check the ASA website.

ASA Bat Testing & Certification Program

The official bat in ASA Championship Play must meet all of the requirements of Rule 3, Section 1 and:

1. must bear either the ASA approved 2000 certification mark or the ASA 2004 certification mark as shown below, and must not be listed on an ASA non approved list, or





- 2. must be included on a list of approved bat models published by the ASA National Office; or
- 3. must, in the sole opinion and discretion of the umpire, have been manufactured prior to 2000 and if tested, would comply with the ASA bat performance standards then in effect.

Beginning January 1, 2004, all bats in ASA Championship Play must pass the ASA 2004 bat standard. All bats having the 2004 certification mark will be allowed in ASA Championship Play. Bats that have the 2000 certification mark will not be allowed in ASA Championship Play unless they are listed on an approved bat list on the ASA website. For convenience, the ASA website has a listing of bats that do not pass the ASA 2004 bat standard.

2004 and Beyond Approved Bats (Updated: 12/5/2008)

For a list of bats that have been tested and found to comply with the ASA bat performance standards, and therefore are authorized to bear the ASA 2004 certification mark and/or are authorized for use in ASA Championship Play beginning January 1, 2004, please click on the manufacturer below. Manufacturers continue to submit additional bat models for testing, and the ASA will update this list as test results become available.

2004 and Beyond Non Approved Bats

Please click on the following PDF for a list of bats that do not meet the ASA's current bat standard:

Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats

(current listing, no changes as of August 29, 2008)

Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats with pictures

(current listing, no changes as of August 29, 2008)

Click here for ASA's TWO Page Non Approved Bats with pictures

(current listing, no changes as of August 29, 2008)

Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats with Certification Marks (2000 and 2004)

(current listing, no changes as of March 31, 2008)

Click here for ASA's Non Approved Bats with 2004 Certification Marks

(current listing, no changes as of March 31, 2008)

The ASA periodically and randomly tests samples of bat models bearing the ASA approved certification mark to verify compliance with the ASA bat performance standards. Below are links for press releases announcing results of compliance testing as well as FAQ's regarding bat models withdrawn from ASA Championship play until further notice. The "ASA Banned Bats" link below contains the most up-to-date listing of bat models withdrawn from ASA Championship play. Models placed on that list will be allowed for use in ASA Championship play if they bear the ASA recertification mark (shown in the link below).

Altered/Doctored Bats

Grandfathered Bats No Longer Authorized Beginning in 2008

ASA Court Order Press Release

ASA Court Order Judgement