

Dirty Dozen Goes Fishing

Dirty Dozen, Bethesda, 10/13/03, 8:30pm

Monday night the **Dirty Dozen** played **Bass Pro**. Before last Thursday's rain makeups, **Bass Pro** was 4-0, tied with **Luby's** for the division lead, and we sat at 3-1, but after the night was over we'd beaten **DSGB** to go 4-1 and **Luby's**, now 5-0, had defeated **Bass Pro**, dropping them to 4-1 with us. Although we lost the first game of the season to **Luby's**, half way through the schedule we stood in a two-way tie for second with another **Luby's** game to later on.

So Monday night we played **Bass Pro**, who had gone 4-0 against **The Dead Lois'**, **Edy's**, **Strike Team** and **DSGB**, for second place uncontested. The only time we had faced them was on 3/31/03 and we won 21-8. That made us 4-0 and we went 5-0 the following week of Spring Implosion 2003, then we hit the skids and wound up 7-3 and out of the running.

About 45 minutes before the game, **Tim McCoy** had a tire blow out. He tried to change it, but his jack was too tall to get under his truck the way things were sitting. **Robbie Crider** drove to get him and they got there about five minutes before the game. (Thanks, Robbie!) So, with all that time to kill, Tim went to wash his hands before the game and on the way he rolled an ankle. **Leroy Frazier**, former Grunt and youth football trainer, who just happened to be at the game rooting for us, wrapped the ankle, but Tim could not put any weight on it, so he had to sit and we played with ten.

We won the coin toss and chose Home, for the fourth time in six games, and hit the field. Bass Pro hit the ball in the first, but our "D" was solid and limited them to only a run. We got the run back in the bottom half when **Russell "Cosmic" Ray** slapped a one-out, RBI double and it was 1-1 after one. We threw Bass a donut in the second and went to work on our hitting. We led off with a fly in the second, followed by a walk and a line-out, but **Robbie Crider** "House Rules" busted a gap that rolled forever and got himself a two-out, inside-the-park homer for a 3-1 lead! A walk came next, but a fly ended the inning.

More solid Dirty Dozen "D" held Bass Pro to another pastry in the third and we got a pair in the bottom of three to go up 5-1. We led off with a single, then **Russell "Sting" Ray** roasted the right side for a triple and a single drove him in. Then we went down 1-2-3, but at least we'd widened our lead. After the second inning I told somebody we could win the game 3-1 the way we were playing in the field Monday night and when we threw a third straight goose egg at Bass Pro in the fourth it looked like prophetic. In the bottom half of the fourth, we put up some runs. Three straight singles got us going and upped our lead to 6-1, but two fly-out's followed, driving in our seventh run. With two down **Russell "X" Ray** struck for another clutch hit, this one an RBI double and we led 8-1. **Norman "Relief" Mapp** chased that with a run scoring single, 9-1, and another single followed, then "Diamond" **Dean Binder** delivered a two-out double for a run and we led 10-1, but a final fly ended the inning. All ten grunts batted that inning, scoring five runs, doubling our score and changing a tight ball game to a comfortable one.

In the fifth we hung a fourth straight hoola-hoop on Bass Pro and went to work with the bats again. A single and double got us rolling and another base hit drove in both guys and we led 12-1 and we realized we were a run away from winning! A single put two men on base and "Scary" **Larry Civelli** followed that with a single, a run scampered home and we win the game 13-1, via run-rule!

Run rule	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Bass Pro	1	0	0	0	0	-	-	1
Dirty Dozen	1	2	2	5	3	-	-	13

We played a big game Monday against a pretty good opponent and we did what the **Dirty Dozen** is known for doing in big games, namely playing smothering defense and putting runs on the board every inning to build up a lead and hold it. **Bass Pro** had some hitters on their team and hit some hard shots, but our "D" just kept choking the life out of them. The infield was sharp as a pin and the outfield was death to flying things all night long and you could tell after a couple of innings that we wouldn't need much hitting to win. Great game, **Dozen!**

Freddy "Krueger" Allen was 3-3 with a walk and three RBI, **Russell "Faye" Ray** was 3-3 with three and **Robbie "Black Widow" Crider** was 3-3 with two ribs.

We did it with a couple of players in different positions Monday night. I pulled **Steve Shreve** in to pitch after **Tim** went down and **Freddy Allen** stepped in to play SS and we just rolled right along. (Good job, guys!) I know sometimes you wonder why I put players in different positions every now and then and don't always use the same positioning on one team as on another. Monday night is a prime example of why I do it. I want our teams to stay flexible in a pinch and I want each player to be able to step into at least one other position and feel comfortable there. The **Dirty Dozen** is very flexible right now. Any infielder either plays or has played any position on the infield and could step up if he had to. Now, different guys are better suited to various positions, but they could do what they have to do in a pinch and the outfield is the same way. That's one more reason we're one of the most dangerous teams in any division! Good job, guys!

Tundraball is Nigh

Night - Park	??day – Bethesda	??day – George Pierce (hopefully)	??day – Bethesda
Team - Fee	<i>Dirty Dozen</i> - \$40ish	<i>The Cowboys</i> - \$40ish	<i>The Jets</i> - \$40ish
Opening Day	12/1/03 probably	after 12/1/03	12/1/03 probably

Okay, you, Softball Animals, League Fees for Winter 2003 will be due 10/20. Pay early to reserve yer spots!

We won't know the nights we play until the Manager's Meeting in a couple of weeks. ***The Jets*** and ***Dirty Dozen*** have been playing on Mondays at Bethesda the last few Winters, but it could change. We'll try to get ***The Cowboys*** in at George Pierce again, but we have to wait to see if the league has a spot open and if we can get enough guys. That could wind up being on any night of the week. I don't know the exact price yet, but it will probably be under \$40.

We need to know who is committed, so let Tim know as soon as possible, so we can get a good head count.

Next Game Times

DZ = Dirty Dozen

CB = The Cowboys

MN = Mixed Nuts

JT = The Jets

Our Numbers		Rain Updates			
Rocky - home (770) 465-0274	Tim - home (770) 409-0537	Bethesda (770) 822-8882	George Pierce (770) 822-8882	Lanford (770) 634-4545	Lucky Shoals (770) 822-8882

“When in doubt, come on out.”

Wednesday 10/15/03 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2003
CB 8:00 - 1 vs. Derby #10

Thursday 10/16/03 at Lanford Park - Fall 2003
MN 9:45 - 1 vs. Loose Change (makeup from 8/28/03)

Friday 10/17/03 at Lucky Shoals Park - Fall 2003
JT 9:00 - 5 vs. Springfield Isotopes

Monday 10/20/03 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2003
DZ 9:30 - 8 vs. Edy's

Monday 10/20/03 **Deadline for Winter 2003 League Fees**
Last chance to guarantee your Winter spots

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Wednesday 10/22/03 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2003
CB 9:00 - 1 vs. Godfathers

Thursday 10/23/03 at Lanford Park - Fall PST 2003
MN ??? vs. TBD

Friday 10/24/03 at Lucky Shoals Park - Fall 2003
JT 8:00 - 5 vs. ViaSat

Monday 10/27/03 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2003
DZ 8:30 - 8 vs. Luby's II

Wednesday 10/29/03 at George Pierce Park - Fall 2003
CB 10:00 - 1 vs. B.O.B.

Thursday 10/30/03 at Lanford Park - Between Seasons
MN No Games

Friday 10/31/03 at Halloween - Fall 2003
JT Off Day - No Games

Monday 11/3/03 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2003
DZ 9:30 - 8 vs. Strike Team

Wednesday 11/5/03 at George Pierce Park - Between Seasons
CB No Games

Thursday 11/6/03 at Lanford Park - Between Seasons
MN No Games

Friday 11/7/03 at Lucky Shoals Park - Fall 2003
JT 9:00 - 5 vs. With Ourselves

Monday 11/10/03 at Bethesda Community Park - Fall 2003
DZ 6:30 - 8 vs. DSGB

Wednesday 11/12/03 at George Pierce Park - Between Seasons
CB No Games

Thursday 11/13/03 at Lanford Park - Between Seasons
MN No Games

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The current MegaSchedule can be found at: <http://userwww.service.emory.edu/~dmcco01/Softball>

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Standings & Scouting Reports – Fall 2003

Bold Italics = Our team, *Normal Brown Italics* = Our next opponent, **Red Teams** have clinched First Place. A + or – with a number indicates the difference in scores against that team, for tie breaking purposes. **PST** = Post Season Tournament. **TBD** = To Be Determined. An “x” before a team name indicates a team that has clinched a berth in the PST. The far right column shows our overall record against that opponent.

Began on 8/25/03

Monday - Bethesda Men's - No Homeruns		overall record
No PST for Fall season		
Luby's II * -2	5-1	8-3
Dirty Dozen	5-1	n/a
<i>Bass Pro +12</i>	4-2	2-0
Edy's	3-2	-
Strike Team * +1	3-3	10-4
DSGB * +17	2-4	2-0
The Dead Lois' +12	0-4	1-0
Lazy Dogs +4	0-5	5-1

Teams with a * we play twice

The **Dirty Dozen** plays **Edy's** next. They are 3-2 and maybe 4-2, having beaten the **Lazy Dogs**, **Strike Team**, **DSGB** and probably **The Dead Lois'**, but I don't have confirmation on that. Their only losses were to **Bass Pro** and **Luby's**. This is a pretty good team and we have to play ball to beat 'em.

After **Edy's** we play **Luby's** for the division lead, so don't take **Edy's** for granted. Play it like we're playing **Luby's** two weeks in a row.

Began on 8/27/03

Wednesday - George Pierce Men's - Equalizer		overall record
No PST for Fall season		
<i>Derby #10 * -15</i>	5-0	0-1
Injoy -3	5-1	0-1
The Cowboys	4-3	n/a
Godfathers * +12	4-3	1-0
B.O.B. * -12	3-3	0-1
Tru Green + 16	3-3	1-0
Sharon Walk +18	1-6	1-0
GMC Scrubs +13	0-6	1-0

Teams with a * we play twice

Teams with shaded records are eliminated

The Cowboys play **Derby #10** next. Those guys are good, but we can beat them if we play well, like we have the last couple of weeks. We're going to have to keep hitting and fielding like I know we can.

I say we owe 'em a whoopin'!

Began on 8/14/03

Thursday - Lanford Coed - Equalizer		overall record
All teams play in PST		
Mixed Nuts	8-1	n/a
Embry Hills +4	7-1	1-0
Atlanta Connection +3	6-2	1-0
St. Edwards * +9	5-5	1-1
Briarlake Baptist * +19	3-6	2-0
Calvary +9	1-8	1-0
<i>Loose Change ** +33</i>	1-8	2-0

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Teams with shaded records are eliminated

The **Mixed Nuts** play **Loose Change** again. This one is a rain makeup from 8/28 and will complete the regular schedule.

The Post Season Tournament will be the following week only, 10/23, and will be single-elimination. I will not know the game time until I get a Bracket from the Guy, but prepare to play the whole night.

Rain Makeup

Our rainout from 8/28 against **Loose Change** will be made up on **Thursday, 10/16 at 9:45pm**.

If you can't make it call Tim McCoy at: (770) 409-0537.

Began on 8/29/03

Friday - Lucky Shoals Coed - No Homeruns		overall record
No PST for Fall season		
The Jets	7-0	n/a
With Ourselves +11	5-2	19-4
ViaSat +11	4-3	3-0
That Other Team +21	3-3	5-1
<i>Springfield Isotopes +20</i>	1-5	8-0
Recall Protectors +36	0-7	3-0

Each team plays the others once.

Teams with shaded records are eliminated

The Jets play the **Springfield Isotopes** next.

You know 'em.

Don't let down and trip over them.



The DL

Denise Brumley blew out both groin muscles Thursday night in the *Mixed Nuts* game, 10/9, running out a single in the second inning. We're not sure, yet, whether she'll be able to play the last regular season game on 10/16 or the PST on 10/23. Hang in there, #77!

Tim McCoy rolled an ankle before Monday night's game and was unable to play his Dirty Dozen game. He's day-to-day and may have to sit another game or two this week. Keep yer chin up, #5!

Billboard

Post your announcement, opportunity or business in The Sports Page. I can scan a business card and throw it on there. You need to be a McCoy Softball player or ex-player or family member and it has to be clean and honest.

Congratulations, Summer 2003 Batting Titleists!					
	<u>Dirty Dozen</u>	<u>The Cowboys</u>	<u>Mixed Nuts</u>	<u>The Jets</u>	
	Russell Ray 0.742	???? ?????? 0.???	???? ?????? 0.???	Howard Mathis 0.879	
	Norman Mapp 0.710	???? ?????? 0.???	???? ?????? 0.???	Darlene Crews 0.536	

Upcoming Birthdays

Laurie Zienko celebrates on 10/17.
Mark Nations chalks up another one on 10/24.
Cindy Lyles counts one on 10/24.
Marty Lewandowski turns a year older on 10/24.
Mike Sharp marks another one on 10/28.
Tina Cook rolls over her odometer on 10/29.
Cat Butler adds another one on 10/31.
Sherri Allen eats cake on 10/31.
Bobby Wright lights the candles on 10/31.
Mike Dennis draws his pension on 11/3.

Denise Brumley

turned 21 on 10/6, but I didn't have her on the Upcoming Birthdays list above. (I found out her birthdate after I'd already printed out the October list.)

My apologies, **Denise**, and **HAPPY** (belated) **BIRTHDAY!!**

Women's Batting Records in Coed Seasons

Team	SCC era	Post SCC
Rocky Horror	M.Cohen 0.773	n/a
The Dirty Dozen	D.McCoy 0.759	n/a
Rocky Dozen	D.McCoy 0.692	n/a
The Cincinnati Reds	D.McCoy 0.864	n/a
The Jets	D.McCoy 0.778	D.McCoy 0.778
Mixed Nuts	J.Black 0.708	T.Kilgore 0.680

Batting Records in Men's Seasons

Team	SCC era	Post SCC
The Zombies	R.Lamborn 0.750	n/a
Smoke on the Water	T.McCoy 0.824	n/a
Smoke Tuesday	R.Crider 0.758	n/a
The Cowboys	T.Frier 0.778	J.McCary 0.767
Motörhead	J.Byrnes 0.760	n/a
Dirty Dozen	T.McCoy 0.841	T.McCoy 0.824

Men's Batting Records in Coed Seasons

Team	SCC era	Post SCC
Rocky Horror	T.McCoy 0.909	n/a
The Dirty Dozen	T.McCoy 0.875	n/a
Rocky Dozen	R.Crider 0.774	n/a
The Cincinnati Reds	Cr.Martin 0.950	n/a
The Jets	R.McCoy 0.889	H.Mathis 0.917
Mixed Nuts	T.McCoy 0.909	T.McCoy 0.893

Ruby Richardson asked me what the highest ever average was for a woman, since the SCC, so I did some checking...

The three charts to the left and above show each McCoy Softball team in the left columns. The middle and right columns show who had the highest ever batting average for that team and who did it.

The "Post SCC" columns show the highest averages since the Softball Country Club closed down, 1999 to present. The "SCC era" columns refer to averages before 1999 and include season that played before we ever played at the SCC. Bold text indicates the highest ever average for that team and red text indicates highest ever of all teams.

The mark is 0.778, Ruby...

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