



DOGTOWN

DIVISION THIRD

GHOST MAN ON THIRD

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CURRENT STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	F	Score
WWhak	5	1	0	0	10
PrgChr	4	2	0	0	8
Green	4	2	0	0	8
AceOB	2	2	2	1	5
RstyT	2	3	1	0	5
Tang	2	4	0	0	4
TrtlW	1	3	2	1	3
McCool	1	4	1	1	2

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Week 7 – 04/12/06

Game 25- 7pm field1:

McCool Town @ Wtsde Whakrs
(ump: Turtles&Ace)

Game 26- 8pm Field1:

TurtleWrnglrs @ Ace of Base
(ump: McCool&Whackers)

Game 27- 8pm field2:

Pregnt Cheerldr @ RustyTs
(ump: Green&Tang)

Game 28- 9pm field1:

Greenorhea @ Tang
(ump: Cheerleaders& Rusty)

DIVISION BAR NEWS



We encourage everyone to head over to Brennan's after the game. They're not just a great bar, they also give us a great deal, \$2.50 burgers and \$2.50 draft domestic beers each game night!



We're Taking The Weather Personally...

Once again, we've been beaten and battered by the mere descent of water particles. But not to be thwarted, we're going to fight back with a NEW SCHEDULE! Dodging weather and holidays like pleather clad CG-wire work action hero bad-asses, our crack team of Board Members have sent some emails around and *unlocked the mysteries of space and time...*

The schedule for week 7 is over there to the left. That is THIS WEEK. We know that it's Passover Wednesday, so we have adjusted the situation as such: if you can not field a team this week, then you will only log a loss – no additional forfeit. Also, if it rains and this week is cancelled, then we will just cancel this week, continue on to week 8 (see below) and only play a 7 week schedule. At that point, every team will have played every other team. In addition, we have shortened the playoffs to a 2 week elimination schedule. This means that if you lose a game, you're out of the playoffs. It also means that the championship game will be played the same night as the semi finals.



Week 8 (April 19th)

- Game 29: (field 1) Whackers @ Turtles
- Game 30: (field 1) Ace of Base @ Tang
- Game 31: (field 2) RustyTs @ McCool Town
- Game 32: (field 1) Cheerleaders @ Green

Week 2 (April 26th) Playoff Qualifying

- Game 1: (field 1) 7th place @ 2nd place
- Game 2: (field 1) 8th place @ 1st place
- Game 3: (field 2) 5th place @ 4th place
- Game 4: (field 1) 6th place @ 3rd place

Week 3 (May 3rd) Playoff Semi and Finals

- (all games on field 1)
- Game 5: Winner Game3 @ Winner Game2
- Game 6: Winner Game4 @ Winner Game1
- Game 7: Winner Game6 @ Winner Game5
(winner is Champion)

Johnny Smith On the Waiver Pile

By Johnny Smith



Like caged animals, the WAKA free agents are scrutinized by interested parties.

In a recent letter to the league, Divisional Representative Pat "Big Poppa" Sattler asked if you HAD to be traded to another team who would it be. Easy query for any one a player who is an all-around adept player...pick a team you like or a team that is winning and you're done.

But what if you played a particular position and were not really capable of playing on another spot on the field. Me, for instance...I'm not quick enough to handle "dead-fish" bunts as a catcher like Dustin of The Pregnant Cheerleaders. Because of my ankle injury, I can't cover the ground necessary for the outfield such as Scott of the Westside Whackers and Brad of Greenorrhea.

So what's my "particular position": pitcher. And I think I'm pretty good at. Not the best but damn capable. And I should be at this point; I've been a starting pitcher for five teams for six seasons, the Blue Meanies, Feet del Fuego, the Green Monster, the Coalmine Canaries, and now on my second season with Greenorrhea.

So if "The Greenorrhea Brain Trust Collective" (Brad & Brian) decided to trade me, it would most likely be for another pitcher. So what team would I want to

pitch for in Pat's theoretical trade? Good question...I've put them in the order that I'd prefer:

- 1. Pregnant Cheerleaders for Kevin Miester:** One junkball pitcher for side-arm pitcher. The chance to pitch again with Dustin as my battery mate is too good an opportunity to pass up. We were teammates on the Green Monster and that season I posted a 2.15 Runs Allowed Average per Game. A personal best for me. In addition, except with the occasional "burp", their defense is fairly solid and the offense is good. The problem with the Cheerleaders is that they have a fairly large team, which leads to a couple of problems. One, I wouldn't get a lot of plate appearances. Not that I'm some offensive powerhouse but still, would be nice to get more than one At-Bat per game. And two, the Cheerleaders have a glut of pitching even if they didn't have their number one starting pitcher Kevin. Larry, Pat, Dustin and another guy whose name eludes me at moment have all pitched at some point during the last two seasons. I would have to fight to get my starting three innings.
- 2. The Rusty T's for Barry:** My screwball trading places with Barry's curveball. The Rusty T's have potentially the hardest kicking offense in the league and have good athletic instincts. Give them a season more of experience, and I think they have the potential to be a top ranked team. They would have to improve their ability to field "small ball" offense. Bunts and small singles kill their defense. They need to work on that. Another problems is their lack of kicking discipline. They are pretty much first ball free-swingers...a few practices could cure that though.
- 3. The Turtle Wranglers for Mario:** The vet for the rookie. The Wranglers remind me of Greenorrhea last season. A lot of heart but a bit disorganized. Look what a difference a season makes. I think the Turtles will be the same way. However, if this trade were made it would be a disaster for them. Mario is a huge part of the heart and soul of the team and "heart & soul" is what makes the Turtles so fun to watch.
- 4. The Westside Whackers for Mike F.:** My slow stuff for the hardest thrower in league. I can't, for the life of me, imagine this trade being made. At this point Mike F. is arguably the league's MVP. But whatever the reason, being traded to the Whackers is to be traded to the best team in DogTown. While Mike F. is a big part of that, even if he wasn't on the team the Westside Whackers have more than enough talent up & down their line-up to make up for it. The only reason I haven't ranked them higher is that they apparently scoff at the idea of practices. Me? I love team practices. I can't

imagine how good the Whackers would be if they did practice. But considering how good they are, I think would be difficult to convince them to go out on the field during the weekend.



5. **Ace for Base for ???:** Ace of Base has two fairly good pitchers that Molly could trade. Being traded to the Aces is to be traded to a team that has some of the best fighting spirit in the league. This isn't a team that gives up. No matter how many injuries, new players, and set backs, they keep fighting on. They are defending champs for a reason. One problem though...the coaching staff is having a difficult time getting anyone in for practice this season and it shows in their defense at times. Plus they do seem injury prone...I've got enough metal pins in my ankle, thanks.
6. **Tang! for Zubin:** The premiere breaking ball pitcher for, well...me? Hmmm. Tang is a veteran team and at times, are brilliant on the field. But

lately their defense has been very porous and Tang tends to give up or get easily frustrated if they get behind or a call from the ump goes against them. They've got the talent but you've got to question their heart. One huge benefit is that I could flirt with Christiana "Madam President" Celeste and the adorable Tang's catcher with reckless abandon. True...I'd be hit with pepper spray and sexual harassment lawsuits ever game but it might be worth it. (They are both rather fetching.)

7. **McCool Town JV Knockers for ???:** Forfeits? Check. Scoffs at the idea of practice? Check. Doesn't seem to care much about winning? Check. Hey, it's your 65 bucks and you can choose to take from the kickball experience what you want. I'll admit that I take it too seriously but after my injury, kickball wound up being the only competitive game that I could excel at. I think being traded to the Knockers would be way too much of a clash of styles. Knockers do have talent though. It wouldn't take much for them to become a very competitive team.

So there you have it...but if truth were told, Greenorrhea has become my favorite team to play for and I'd hate to be traded. I've enjoyed every team I've played for, some more than others. But Brad & Brian have put forth a great effort to make our team competitive and fun. The practices and team get-togethers have made us more cohesive as players and friends. And there is no other team I want to be on.

Hell, I'm already looking forward to Spring Season! Go Green or Go Home!

No Game Reviews

Because of the rain, we don't really have any game reviews or rules to review for y'all... so we'll just publish a picture of a kitten and a puppy that represents the spirit of kickball. Awww...

