



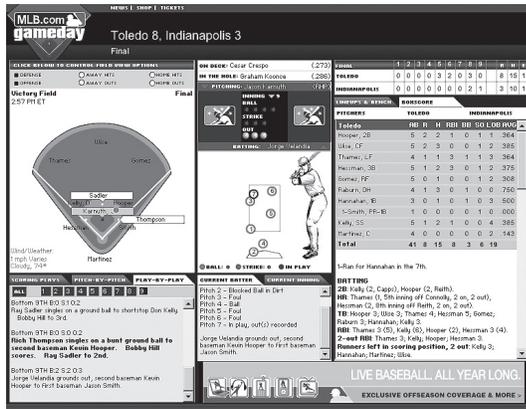
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Shrine Doing Double Duty



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Gameday Comes to Triple-A Baseball

Beginning this season, Zephyrs fans will be able to follow the team as never before, as Minor League Baseball has announced that the popular Gameday web feature will be available for all Triple-A games.

A free feature, Gameday provides real-time pitch-by-pitch coverage for every game on the schedule, and uses state-of-the-art Flash technology to deliver updates straight from the ballpark, mere seconds after the action takes place on the field.

Gameday features a live box score that is updated after every at-bat, letting fans track a pitcher's fluctuating ERA or a hitter's rising or falling batting average as it changes. The feature also includes situational stats that illuminate the strategies being deployed from the dugout. The Play-by-Play tab includes a complete archive of every at-bat, broken down by inning.

Finally, Gameday features a fully interactive spray chart that records the location of every ball hit into play, whether it results in a hit, out or error.

Having been previously available only for Major League Baseball games, this will be the first year that minor league fans will have access to the Gameday feature.

From Zephyrsbaseball.com

By Bill Catalanello

Zephyr Field in March was already a very busy place, and the New Orleans Zephyrs were still in spring training in Florida. The nationally ranked Tulane baseball program was entering the heart of its regular season schedule, and all Green Wave home games were being played at the "Shrine on Airline." Hurricane Katrina severely damaged Turchin Stadium on the Tulane campus.

During a four-day period in late April seven games are scheduled to be played at the ballpark, between the Zephyrs' and Green Wave schedules. On at least eight separate dates in April and May two games are scheduled to be played at Zephyr Field.

As the Tulane team played through their tough schedule, repairs continued on the damaged grandstand roof and the left-center field scoreboard. The Zephyrs will have their home opener on Thursday night, April 6 against the Round Rock Express. The Fan Appreciation night carried over from 2005 will be on Friday night, April 7. Fireworks will follow both games.

36 Runs Scored on Opening Day

By Jay Gauthreaux

The most runs scored on Opening Day by both teams, 36, occurred at Boston's South End Grounds, on April 19, 1900. The Boston Beaneaters hosted the Philadelphia Phillies in front of 10,000 on Patriots Day. But it was the Phillies who did their own celebrating as they defeated the Beaneaters, 19-17 in ten innings. Philly put a five spot on the board in the first and second frames off starter Vic Willis, and the Phillies continued the merriment throughout the game.

With Philly holding a 17-8 lead going into the Beaneaters ninth, Boston managed to score nine runs to tie the game giving the Boston throng hope. In the top of the tenth, Philly put two runs across the board and kept Boston scoreless in the bottom of the tenth for the win.

Eight future Hall of Famers graced the box score of that historical game: Billy Hamilton, Jimmy Collins, Hugh Duffy, Vic Willis, Ed Delahanty, Nap Lajoie, Elmer Smith and Kid Nichols.

Two players in the lineup that day, Bobby Lowe and Ed Delahanty, etched their names in the record book when they each hit four home runs in a game. Lowe accomplished the feat on May 30, 1894, and Delahanty, July 13, 1896.

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A Celebration of Baseball's Past in Birmingham's Rickwood Field

As I was driving to Rickwood Field Sunday February 26th for the ESPN Classic vintage baseball, I was thinking about James Earl Jones and his character from the very underrated baseball movie *Sandlot*. You might remember he was a former Negro League player who owned the junkyard and had the awesome baseball collection. He talks about knowing George (Babe Ruth) and George knowing him. "He (Ruth) was almost as a great hitter as I was."

You see the pride in his face as he is sharing with the boys about his playing days. I think pride is a key word when describing this event at Rickwood. ESPN Classic came to town to film live a vintage baseball game between a modern day version of Birmingham Black Barons and a modern day barnstorming team called the Bristol Barnstormers managed by Jim Bouton of *Ball Four* fame. The teams were made up of local college players from Alabama and college players from the Northeast. The Black Barons wore the 1948 uniforms and the Barnstormers wore the uniforms in the style of the old barnstorming teams from the 1940s. ESPN was even able to bring the "Say Hey Kid" Willie Mays back to his hometown for the occasion.

The experience was new to me on many different fronts. I had never seen a game played where the teams were divided down racial lines on purpose. I am child of an integrated South. I never saw "whites only" sections or restrooms. The only Barons I have seen play in my life were mixed racially from various backgrounds. I think what ESPN did with this event which some would say is an era we don't need to revisit, was to turn it into a celebration of the past. I sat there and saw the beaming pride on the faces of those men who had played in the Negro Leagues. I can't change the past, but I can celebrate its heroes. I sat there in that wonderful old ballpark under a beautiful blue sky with people of all races coming together on common ground. I couldn't help but feel like I was watching something special. I doubt any of these players will ever play major league baseball, but for one afternoon they were Willie Mays, Piper Davis, and Satchel Paige.

On a final note, I was turning onto Lomb Ave heading to Rickwood, I was scanning the dial and heard the sweet sounds of Louis Armstrong's "What a Wonderful World." Vintage baseball in the crisp air with smiling faces all around makes a pretty wonderful world.

Take Care,
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Pacific Coast League's 1934 Los Angeles Angels Among the Best Ever

In 1934, the Pacific Coast League played a 188-game schedule and used the split-season method to determine the league champion. In part because of the extraordinary length of the season, the potential existed for some amazing offensive numbers to be produced.

The Los Angeles Angels of 1934, managed by Jack Lelivelt, became perhaps the most successful team in the long history of the league. The Angels proceeded to win both halves of the season very easily.

	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Won by</u>
First Half	66	18	.786	18.5
Second Half	71	32	.689	12.0
Total	137	50	.733	

The .733 winning percentage for a complete season rates the club among the top all-time minor league teams in baseball history. The Angels had five players who each appeared in 180 or more games: First baseman Jim Oglesby and outfielder Marvin Gudat (188 each), outfielder Frank Demaree (186), outfielder Arnold Statz (183), and second baseman Jimmie Reese (180). Los Angeles boasted four 100-RBI men, led by Demaree's 173. Demaree also led the powerful club in home runs (45) and batting average (.383). He won the league's triple crown.

Fay Thomas was the Angels' leading starting pitcher with a record of 28-4 and an ERA of 2.59. Thomas was one of three twenty-game winners on the L.A. roster. Louis Garland (21-9, 2.67) and Emile Meola (20-5, 2.90) were the others.

Manager Lelivelt saw service in the majors as a player for six seasons (1909-1914), posting a career batting average of .301.

Joe and Vince DiMaggio both played in the PCL in 1934 before advancing to the majors. Joe batted .341 with 12 home runs for the San Francisco Seals. Vince hit .288 with 17 homers for Hollywood.

1934 L.A. Angels Individual Stats

Hitting

Pos.	Player	G	HR	RBI	BA
1B	Jim Oglesby	188	15	139	.312
2B	Jimmie Reese	180	3	85	.311
3B	Gene Lillard	171	27	119	.289
SS	Carl Dittmar	150	3	73	.294
SS	Bob Mattick	53	0	10	.277
OF	Marvin Gudat	188	4	125	.319
OF	Frank Demaree	186	45	173	.383
OF	Arnold Statz	183	6	66	.324
C	Bill Campbell	145	17	97	.305
C	Walt Gobel	60	2	29	.297

Pitching

Pitcher	W	L	Pct.	ERA
Emmett Nelson	14	5	.737	2.53
Fay Thomas	28	4	.875	2.59
John Campbell	19	15	.559	2.63
Dick Ward	13	4	.765	2.63
Louis Garland	21	9	.700	2.67
Roy Henshaw	16	4	.800	2.75
Emile Meola	20	5	.800	2.90
Art McDougall	4	2	.667	4.63

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Hidden Talent in the Hall of Fame

We are all familiar with the fact that the majority of the pitchers who have been elected to Cooperstown would have batting statistics as they were required to bat prior to the establishment of the Designated Hitter position in the American League. But how many of the hitters residing in the Hall of Fame would you expect to have a pitching record?

You might be surprised to learn that nearly fifteen percent have a pitching record. That's twenty hitters out of one hundred and thirty-four, a reasonably surprising number. They are (*listed alphabetically*):

Wade Boggs
Roger Bresnahan
Dan Brouthers
Jesse Burkett
Ty Cobb
George Davis
Buck Ewing
Jimmie Foxx
Harry Hooper
George Kelly

Stan Musial
Jim O'Rourke
Sam Rice
Babe Ruth
George Sisler
Tris Speaker
Honus Wagner
Bobby Wallace
John M. Ward
Ted Williams

This is quite an eclectic group to be sure.

Wade Boggs

Never considered much of a minor league prospect, Boggs nonetheless evolved into a prodigious hitter with the Boston Red Sox (1982 – 1992), the New York Yankees (1993 – 1997), and his hometown Tampa Bay Devil Rays (1998 – 1999). He made two appearances on the mound, once in 1997 with the Yankees and again in 1999 with Tampa Bay. He faced a total of 11 batters in 2-1/3 innings, giving up 3 hits, 1 walk and 1 run while chalking up 2 strikeouts. Boggs was elected to the Hall of Fame in 2005 with 91.9% of the BBWAA first ballot vote.

Roger Bresnahan

Bresnahan enjoyed 17 seasons in major league baseball between 1897 and 1915. During three of those campaigns he took the mound for his club – in 1897 for the Washington Senators, in 1901 for the Baltimore Orioles, and in 1910 for the St. Louis Cardinals. In nine appearances he compiled a 4 – 1 record over a total of 50-1/3 innings pitched. He was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1945 by the Veterans Committee.

Dan Brouthers

Breaking in with the Troy in the National League in 1879, Big Dan pitched 3 games for the Trojans, posting a 0 – 2 record with a 5.57 ERA. He returned to the mound four years later for the Buffalo Bisons, giving up 9 hits and 7 runs during his 2 innings of work. He returned to his normal position at first base and continued his career as a fearsome hitter, compiling a .342 career batting average over 19 seasons.

Jesse Burkett

Dividing his time between the mound and the outfield, Burkett broke in with the New York Giants in 1890. He made 21 appearances,

posted a 3 – 10 record while batting .309 for his rookie season. He was with Cleveland when he returned to the hump in 1894 to pitch 4 innings, giving up 6 hits and two runs. Eight years would pass before Burkett returned to pitch for the St. Louis Browns in 1902. He was touched up for 4 runs on 4 hits during a single inning. He would bat over .400 three times, a feat duplicated only by Ty Cobb and Rogers Hornsby.

Ty Cobb

September 1, 1918 found the Georgia Peach pitching 2 innings in the second game of a doubleheader against the St. Louis Browns. George Sisler doubled off Cobb. Interestingly enough, Sisler also pitched a single scoreless inning in that game. They would repeat the matchup in the second game of another doubleheader on October 4, 1925 with Cobb hurling a scoreless inning while Sisler held the Tigers scoreless in 2 innings.

George Davis

The 1891 Cleveland Spiders featured pitcher Cy Young on their pitching staff, but somehow their star outfielder, George Davis, was called upon to pitch in three games. He compiled a lackluster record of 0 – 1 during four innings of work during which he allowed a total of eight runs on eight hits, with three walks and four strikeouts.

Buck Ewing

One of the greatest catchers from the 19th century era, Ewing made 9 appearances between 1882 and 1890, posting a 2 – 3 record during 47 innings pitched. In 1889 he became the first catcher to ever win a game as a pitcher.

Jimmie Foxx

Before he was sidelined with appendicitis in 1939, Foxx hurled a single inning of scoreless ball for the Boston Red Sox, facing 3

batters and striking out one in the 9th inning. He would return as a starter for the Philadelphia Blue Jays on August 19, 1945 at the age of 37. He tossed 7 innings in the second game of a doubleheader against the Cincinnati Reds, leaving with a 4 – 1 lead. It would be his only recorded win in 9 appearances that season.

Harry Hooper

The man who claims to have been the one to convince Boston manager Ed Barrow to move Babe Ruth to the outfield on days when he wasn't pitching so the Red Sox could take advantage of Ruth's hitting was himself on the mound for the Red Sox for two innings in a game in 1913. The rangy outfielder with the powerful and accurate arm faced seven batters during the course of two innings, giving up two hits and a walk.

George Kelly

Highpockets Kelly threw the last 5 innings of a single game for the New York Giants in 1917, facing 20 batters while giving up 4 scattered hits, walking 1 and fanning 2 batters. He was claimed on waivers by Pittsburgh shortly thereafter. Kelly returned to New York to play first base and began stroking hit after hit, compiling 10 seasons with 100 or more hits, and batting over .300 in 8 of his 16 seasons.

Stan Musial

Stan The Man made his only major league appearance on September 29, 1952 against the Chicago Cubs. He faced a single batter, Frank Baumholtz, who finished second to Musial in the 1952 batting race. Baumholtz reached base on an error. Harvey Haddix would then relieve Musial. The Cubs went on to win 3-0.

Jim O'Rourke

Orator Jim O'Rourke batted .300 or better in 13 of his 22 seasons in major league baseball. His pitching career began 12 years after his major league debut. At the age of 32 he threw 7 innings during the course of two games in 1883 where he got touched for 10 hits. The following season he appeared in 4 games, going 12 and 2/3 innings. After moving to the New York Giants in 1885, O'Rourke hung up his pitcher's spikes and returned to the outfield.

Sam Rice

He was known as one of the greatest singles hitters in baseball, stroking 2,987 hits during his 20 seasons with the Washington Senators and the Cleveland Indians, on his way to a .322 lifetime batting average. But Rice began his career as a pitcher in 1915 with the Senators, but was quickly moved to the outfield in order to take advantage of his batting prowess.

Babe Ruth

The longest and most successful pitching career of all of the Hall of Fame hitters is that of Babe Ruth. We all know that Ruth began his career as a 19-year old southpaw with the Boston Red Sox in 1914. He made his final appearance on the mound with the New York Yankees in 1933 at the age of 38. During that 10-year span Ruth pitched in 163 games, compiling a 94 – 46 record with a 2.28 ERA.

George Sisler

Like Babe Ruth, Sisler began his career as a left handed pitcher, but his hitting was too valuable to keep him on the mound. In 1912, as a freshman at the University of Michigan, Sisler struck

out 20 batters during seven innings on May 12, 1912. Over seven seasons with the St. Louis Browns, Sisler made 24 appearances, compiling a record of 5 – 6 with a 2.35 ERA. He made his final pitching appearance on June 22, 1916 in a complete game loss to the Chicago White Sox.

Tris Speaker

The game between the Senators and the Red Sox on October 7, 1914, was thought to be a meaningless event at the end of the season, but actually provided three memorable moments. Rookie Babe Ruth pitches three innings in relief for Boston. The Senators' 45-year old pitcher Clark Griffith makes his final appearance on the mound. And Boston outfielder Tris Speaker makes his only pitching appearance of his career, facing four batters, giving up four hits and a single run.

Honus Wagner

Better known for stealing bases and his inside-the-park home runs, Wagner somehow found time to make two appearances on the mound, the first in 1900 and the last in 1902. In all he tossed 8-1/3 innings, giving up a total of seven hits, five runs, six walks, and three wild pitches. He also struck out six batters.

Bobby Wallace

Although he began his career as a pitcher in 1894 with the Cleveland Spiders, Wallace moved to third base in 1896 and then to shortstop in 1899 where he remained for the next 14 seasons. He returned to the mound only once thereafter, in 1902 with the St. Louis Browns at the age of 44, hurling two innings, giving up three hits and striking out one batter. Better known as a hitter with a .268 lifetime batting average, Wallace was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1953.

John M. Ward

Ward was from an era when players saw action at many positions. His career began in 1878 and lasted for 17 seasons. During that time he played shortstop (826 games), second base (491 games), pitcher (292 games), outfield (215 games), and third base (46 games). Although he threw the second perfect game in history on June 17, 1880, Ward is better known as a hitter with a .275 career batting average and for organizing the *Brotherhood of the National League*, the first player's union.

Ted Williams

On August 24, 1940, the *Splendid Splinter* hurled the final two innings of a 12 – 1 blowout at the hands of the Detroit Tigers. In all he faced nine batters, giving up three hits and only a single run when Boston third baseman Charlie Gelbert booted a double-play ball. Williams also struck out Detroit slugger Rudy York on three consecutive pitches. Williams' catcher is Joe Glenn, who caught Babe Ruth's last pitching appearance in 1933.

The career pitching record for each of the Hall of Fame hitters appears at the bottom of page six.

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Long Ball Hitters and Base Bandits

Since 1900, only 17 major league clubs have led their league in both home runs and stolen bases for a season. Eleven of them managed to win a pennant in the same season.

In the dead-ball era, the first 20th century team to accomplish the feat was John McGraw's 1904 New York Giants. They hit only 31 home runs as a team, led by first baseman Dan McGann's total of six, but that was good enough to lead the National League. On the basepaths, however, the Giants excelled. They stole 283 bases, led by Bill Dahlen and Sam Mertes, who each swiped 47. That Giants team finished first with a record of 106-47, .693. The Giants led the league in both categories in three other dead-ball seasons, 1905, 1912, and 1917, and in each year they won the NL pennant. The largest number of team homers they managed in any of those seasons was 47 in 1912.

The 1931 New York Yankees became the first American League club to lead the circuit in home runs and stolen bases in the same year. The Bronx Bombers walloped 155 home runs and stole 138 bases. Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig tied for the home run crown with 46 each. Their combined total of 92 was better than six AL teams. The Yankees' (and the AL) stolen base leader in 1931 was Ben Chapman who pilfered 61.

The Brooklyn Dodgers set a major league record when they led the National League in both homers and stolen bases for five consecutive years from 1949 through 1953. During this five-year stretch Brooklyn led all major league teams in home runs. Over the same period, the Dodgers led the the majors in stolen bases four of the five years.

In 1996, the Colorado Rockies accomplished something no other club has done in the history of major league baseball. Colorado is the only team to collect at least 200 home runs (221) and 200 steals (201) in a season. Despite the stellar team offensive stats, the Rockies finished the '96 season just four games over .500 at 83-79, third in the NL West.

Clubs that Led League in HRs and Steals Since 1900

Year	Club	Finish	W	L	HR	HR Leader	SB	SB Leader
1904	NY Giants	1st	106	47	31	McGann (6)	283	Dahlen (47) Mertes (47)
1905	NY Giants	1st	105	48	39	Dahlen (7) Donlin (7)	291	DeLuin (59)
1912	NY Giants	1st	103	48	47	Merkle (11)	319	Snodgrass (43)
1917	NY Giants	1st	98	56	39	Robertson (12)	162	Burns (40)
1931	NY Yankees	2nd	94	59	155	Gehrig (46) Ruth (46)	138	Chapman (61)
1933	NY Yankees	2nd	91	59	144	Ruth (34)	76	Chapman (27)
1938	NY Yankees	1st	99	53	174	DiMaggio (32)	91	Crosetti (27)
1940	St.L Cardinals	3rd	84	69	119	Mize (43)	97	Moore (18)
1949	Brooklyn	1st	97	57	152	Hodges (23) Snider (23)	117	Robinson (37)
1950	Brooklyn	2nd	89	65	194	Hodges (32)	77	Reese (17)
1951	Brooklyn	2nd	97	60	184	Hodges (40)	89	Robinson (25)
1952	Brooklyn	1st	96	57	153	Hodges (32)	90	Reese (30)
1953	Brooklyn	1st	105	49	208	Snider (42)	90	Reese (22)
1955	Brooklyn	1st	98	55	201	Snider (42)	79	Gilliam (15)
1976	Cincinnati	1st	102	60	141	Foster (29)	210	Morgan (60)
1995	Cleveland	1st	100	44	207	Belle (50)	132	Lofton (54)
1996	Colorado	3rd	83	79	221	Gallaraga (47)	201	Young (53)

Chart by Lee Collin

GISCLAIR – HALL OF FAME HITTERS WHO PITCHED continued from page 5

Player	Years	W	L	G	IP	H	R	SO	BB	BFP	ERA
Babe Ruth	10	94	46	163	1,221.3	974	398	488	441	5,006	2.28
John Ward	7	164	102	292	2,461.7	2,317	1,183	920	253	10,132	2.10
George Sisler	7	5	6	24	111.0	91	36	63	52	253	2.35
Buck Ewing	6	2	3	9	47.0	55	36	23	23	224	3.45
Bobby Wallace	5	24	22	57	402.0	469	268	120	156	NA	3.87
Jesse Burkett	3	3	1	23	123.0	144	129	84	94	NA	5.56
Roger Bresnahan	3	4	1	9	50.3	68	30	15	15	16	3.93
Sam Rice	3	1	1	9	39.3	31	18	12	19	156	2.52
Jimmie Foxx	2	1	0	10	23.7	13	4	11	14	97	1.52
Dan Brouthers	2	0	2	4	22.0	44	37	8	11	127	7.83
Jim O'Rourke	2	0	1	6	19.7	17	14	4	2	70	4.12
Honus Wagner	2	0	0	2	8.3	7	5	6	6	NA	0.00
Ty Cobb	2	0	0	3	5.0	6	2	0	2	20	3.60
Wade Boggs	2	0	0	2	2.3	3	1	2	1	11	3.86
George Kelly	1	1	0	1	5.0	4	0	2	1	20	0.00
George Davis	1	0	1	3	4.0	8	8	4	3	NA	15.75
Harry Hooper	1	0	0	1	2.0	2	0	0	1	7	0.00
Ted Williams	1	0	0	1	2.0	3	1	1	0	9	4.50
Iris Spieker	1	0	0	1	1.0	2	1	0	0	4	9.00
Sian Musial	1	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0.00

Please Note – Statistics are often incomplete for players whose careers occurred in the latter part of the 19th century and the early 20th century when certain statistics were not kept.

Dear Bleacher Creature,

It's another spring (almost), my favorite time of year. Louis and I took our daughter Betsy and ourselves down to New Orleans for Mardi Gras. We fell in love with your city all over again. Betsy (she's 4-1/2 now) sat high atop a ladder in a kiddie seat and screamed for beads with all the other kids as the floats rolled past us down St. Charles Avenue. To celebrate and let the good times roll on that scale while to the rest the country it's just Tuesday--well, that's what makes New Orleans unique.

Shame on anyone who questioned or doubted whether the city would be rebuilt. The folks who live there--well, they're not like people anywhere else, and they know it... they're even proud of it. When you're in their city, they never let you forget you're in New Orleans, baby. The people who make the place what it is are there for the long haul, and they will rebuild house by house and block by block. There are tough times now, sure, but New Orleans will be back better than ever. As my husband reminded me on our last quick visit, New Orleans plays host to an event better than Anyplace, USA simply because they do it every single year at Carnival time.

Our trip was short and sweet. Four days, but I was wishing we could have stayed longer. Betsy was wonderful, and she had so much fun. Next time we come we'll be able to take her to a Zephyrs game.

Don't worry--I'm a Texan all the way, and proud of it, but I have to admire the way you folks are resilient enough, or insistent enough, or determined enough, or just plain hard-headed enough to go ahead with Carnival in spite of everything you've been through. It was your party, and we were just glad to be able to share it with you.

To all my friends and relatives in New Orleans, let me just tell you that I know that, with just a little help, you'll be back where you belong. The sad thing is, I know a lot of you have never needed help from anyone before, but now you have to count on it. I pray that the help will come through for all that need it now.

My prayers are with you. Good luck. See you in May.

-Rose

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