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THE INSIDE PITCH

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PFC, U.S. ARMY
FOUGHT IN PERSIAN GULF. WOUNDED
IN FIREFIGHT WITH IRAQI TROOPS.
ANNUAL PAY: \$ 10,141.20



B. BONDS
LEFT FIELDER, PITTSBURGH PIRATES
HITS LITTLE BALL WITH A STICK. RUNS
FAST. WHINES CONSTANTLY.
ANNUAL PAY: \$2,300,000

Quoting Barry Bonds... "I would have joined up for the fight, but some guys look good in desert camouflage - I do not. What is camouflage, a fashion statement or question? What are you, a bush, a tree? I just do not understand the concept."

Barry Bonds' Top Ten List of Pet Peeves are listed on page 5 of this newsletter. National League woes have found a "trail of tears" running from Ashland to the House of Cannucks.

In a recent loss to Don, Jack's team was trailing 3 to 1 in the ninth inning with the bases loaded and no outs. B.J. Suroff was sent up to pinch hit and hit into a game ending triple play - Jack's third triple play of the year.

When playing in Ashland, Jack has a woeful record of 4 wins and 21 losses. It should be noted that Jack has an overall record against Don of 16 wins and 34 losses. On the "up" side for Jack and Jim, the Cannucks have hit 3 pinch hit homeruns this season.

The Uncallables continue to hover around the .500 mark. In 80 games, Don has hit 94 homers while his opponents have hit 74. Kevin Mitchell leads his team with 25 homeruns.

Interestingly, the Uncallables are 8 wins, 15 losses in one run games. When leading in the 7th inning, their record is 29 wins, 10 losses. When trailing in the 7th inning, they lose with regularity, 28 out of 30 games.

The Monarchs continue to run hot and cold. The one constant is the stolen base. Monarch baserunners have stolen 124 bases and have been caught only 38 times, which makes for an impressive 77% success rate. Delino DeShields has 31 stolen bases, 12 times caught. Of Barry Bonds' 26 stolen bases, he has stolen home four times. As a team, the Monarchs have swiped home five times and were caught only once. The five "home steals" may be an all time league record, and the hope is that the total will continue to soar. By season's end, I would like the Monarchs to have 300 total stolen bases.

The Seminoles' Jose "The Hoser" Canseco, hit four consecutive homeruns in a game against the Outlaws. Though the Seminoles lost that game, they did win three out of the four games played. The Seminoles' ace pitcher, Ramon Martinez, lost his first game of the season 4 to 2 to the Bimbos. The previous week the Bimbos had given Outlaw pitcher, Matt Young, his first loss - coming from behind in the 9th to win on a ball park three run homer - score 4 to 3.

Difficult as it may be to believe, the Bimbos and the Cannucks played a game that went 23 innings with the Bimbos winning it 3 to 2. In this game, Bimbo relievers pitched 10 1/3 innings of no-hit relief. At

the end of the game, there had been a total of 39 men left on base.

Bimbos' management is under siege by a petition drive by the female customers who are upset with the name "Bimbos". Team owner, Keith "Patron Saint of Female Issues" Gilmore, has been rumored to be consulting with New England Patriots' owner, Victor Kiam, who is known for his sensitivity on womens' rights. Boston Globe reporter, Lisa Olsen, was quoted as saying "certain team owners have declared war on womens' issues just because we would not date them in high school."

In the American League...

Dick Overton has the BusHeads taking the high road to success with a 25 - 17 record. Vince Coleman is hitting .367 and has 19 stolen bases. Carlton Fisk's 9 homeruns and Jack Clark's 7 homers are supplying the fuel to keep those BusHeads rolling.

In a recent game between the BusHeads and the Whales, Jack Daugherty hit a homerun in the 16th inning to win the game for the BusHeads. In Daugherty's previous at bats in the game, Whales' manager, Randy "Fish Tail" Shavis had elected to walk Daugherty so he could pitch to light hitting Mike Gallego. In the 16th, Randy let Daugherty hit and paid the price. In the same game, Doug Jones pitched 7 innings to gain the win.

Jami's Jaybirds and Richard's Tigers got together for a bean ball and homerun war. The Tigers hit 8 homeruns, five in one game. The Jaybirds retaliated by beaming seven Tiger batters. The Tigers persevered, bruises and all, to win three out of the five games played.

For the Jaybirds, Rob Deer has 12 hits for the year, 6 homers and 16 RBI's. The Jaybirds, as a team, have a batting average of .286.

Gunslingers' Bo Jackson has hit 19 dingers and has 41 RBI's in the 37 games he has played for Chip this year. Tim Wallach is hitting .320. Glenn Braggs has 18 stolen bases in 21 attempts.

Jeff Huson stole home without the benefit of the delayed steal in a losing effort against the Jaybirds. Nolan Ryan continues to pitch well for Chip. Nolan has allowed 71 hits in 119 innings pitched, and he has an ERA of 2.64. In addition, he also has a losing record of 6 and 7.

T-Birds' manager, Mike "The Thrasher" Thurston, reports Ben McDonald won in his first start of the year, winning 10 to 3. Mike also reports that his team and the Bulls played two extra inning games, with the T-Birds winning both 4 to 3 in 18 innings, and 1 to 0 in 12 innings.

HAPPENINGS

Dick Overton requests the pleasure of your company/ (all day!) at his home on Saturday, May 11, 1991, to join in a little friendly competition and fellowship at an Open House/Strat-A-Thon.

RSVP: 739-4328

Barry Bonds'
Top Ten Pet Peeves

10. *Jim Lyland won't let him play "Headbanger" music on the clubhouse stereo.*
9. *The shameful lack of Moon Pies and grape soda on road trips.*
8. *Upset because Spuds McKinzie got the label "The Original Party Animal" for the beer commercial instead of him.*
7. *Ronald Reagen was elected president and not Mookie Wilson.*
6. *Clubhouse attendants putting itch powder in his jock.*
5. *Road trips to Ashland.*
4. *Hari Christna's at the airport are always asking for autographs in addition to donations.*
3. *Concessionaires who renamed their corn dogs "Barry Bonds on a Stick".*
2. *Joe DiMaggio will not come to his house and set-up his Mr. Coffee.*
1. *Public Address Announcers - too much talk, not enough rock!*



TEAM RECORDS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

<u>Team</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>G.B.</u>
<i>Tigers</i>	40-14	
<i>Bulls</i>	34-25	8 1/2
<i>Twins</i>	33-24	8 1/2
<i>BusHeads</i>	25-17	9
<i>Jaybirds</i>	29-29	13
<i>Rats</i>	23-25	14
<i>Lawgivers</i>	26-33	16 1/2
<i>Whales</i>	27-37	18
<i>T-Birds</i>	17-31	20
<i>Gunslingers</i>	29-45	21

NATIONAL LEAGUE

<u>Team</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>G.B.</u>
<i>Outlaws</i>	<i>34-13</i>	
<i>Seminoles</i>	<i>33-18</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Monarchs</i>	<i>33-25</i>	<i>6 1/2</i>
<i>Uncallables</i>	<i>40-40</i>	<i>10 1/2</i>
<i>Cannucks</i>	<i>20-20</i>	<i>10 1/2</i>
<i>Bimbos</i>	<i>19-21</i>	<i>11 1/2</i>
<i>Ducks</i>	<i>22-29</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Rebels</i>	<i>22-33</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Roadrunners</i>	<i>21-43</i>	<i>21 1/2</i>

Until next time...

*It's my wish that
your "field of dreams"
be ever in view.*

*The green grass below you
and above -
the sky blue.*

*May good fortune and humor
remain close to you,
and I'm hoping your opponent
always trails 'ya by two.*

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