



BASEBALL BLURBS BY BRUCE

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Victoria 10, Wenatchee 5 last night.

Victoria (23-22) at Wenatchee (21-25) 7:05 tonight.

July...What Gives?

The local nine was 13-14 for July. For some reason the seventh month has been the worst for the AppleSox.

- Six times in 44 months of play over 16 years they have had a losing record, four of those have been in July.

- By months: August 68.5% (85-39), June 64.6% (224-123) and July 58.6% (228-161).

- This is the second July in a row with a minus record...it was 12-13 in 2014.

No Parkas Needed

94.1 degrees was the average high at the airport for the dates of the 13 home games in July. This is the second toastiest July on record. A year ago the average was 94.6.

August 1 Games

The AppleSox have started August on a high note winning eight of 10 games (and all of them league contests) on the first day of the month. At home they are 5-1 and on the road 3-1, and they have a 3-game win streak.

Wild Card Standings

The number in parenthesis is the magic number. For instance the combination of Corvallis wins and Wenatchee losses to make it mathematically impossible for the AppleSox or pass the Knights.

Corvallis 25-20, Victoria 23-22 (8), Yakima Valley 24-22 (8), Walla Walla 21-23 (7), Wenatchee 21-25 (5), Medford 21-25 (5)

Standings

East: Kelowna 28-17, Yakima Valley 24-22, Walla Walla 21-23, WENATCHEE 21-25

West: Bellingham 30-16, Victoria 23-22, Kitsap 19-27, Cowlitz 18-28

South: Bend 32-13, Corvallis 25-20, Medford 21-25, Klamath Falls 11-35

Nearing Titles

The three division leaders are inching closer and closer to clinching first place in their respective groups.

East, Any combination of Kelowna wins and Yakima Valley loses totaling four and the Falcon's can do no worse than a tie for first.

West, Between Bellingham and Victoria the number is three.

South, Between Bend and Corvallis it is down to two.

Who's Hot: Victoria has won 5 of 6. Bellingham has won 4 of 5. Corvallis has won 6 of 8.

Who's Not: Cowlitz has lost 8 of 9. Walla Walla has lost 4 of 5.